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IT WILL BE A TEAM.

One That Can Play Anywhere With Anybody.

ASSISTANCE OF THE PUBLIC ASKED.

The Days of the Old Russells to Come Again. With as Good a Team, Grounds and Uniforms, if all Goes Well—Yesterday's Ball Games in This Vicinity.

Never since the days of the old Russells has the town had a base ball team that was a team. But now there is a movement on foot that, if successful, and there is every reason to believe that it will be, which will give to Massillon a base ball club worthy of the name. Those interested expect to lease the park on the Yingling farm and will place it in good condition. Everything will be repaired, including the fence, which will be painted and sold to local businessmen for advertising purposes. The players who will constitute the team are the very cream of local talent and perhaps it may be necessary to reach into the surrounding towns for others.

There will be no manager, but a captain, corresponding secretary and treasurer will be elected and will transact all the business of the club. All the local players are willing to spend the whole summer on the diamond without a thought of pay, but their organization will be such that if anything is realized through their efforts, it will go into a common fund, the property of no one man, but belonging to the club, and to be used for its improvement.

Just now what is most wanted is money. It is hoped that citizens will take sufficient pride in having a good team on the diamond to offer assistance in every manner they can. The players must have uniforms and the grounds must be placed in condition. The funds must be raised somehow, and although some money is sure to come from the advertising space on the fence, it will not be sufficient to put the club on the basis that is desired.

For that reason cash contributions from the people of Massillon are solicited. The club does not feel that in asking this it offers nothing for something, because a team with a reputation is bound to bring people from abroad to the town every time it plays, and in this manner everybody will be more or less benefited. The city of Canton has contributed something like \$500, one man alone giving \$75, to the team which was organized there this season, and it is now playing such good ball in such a good park and in such good uniforms that people over there feel that it is a pleasure to go to one of its games. This paper has offered its columns to the new organization, and will note from day to day the growth of the fund.

A meeting of base ball players and all others interested will be held in the Hotel Conrad parlors, Tuesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock. It is hoped that there will be a good attendance.

THE MINGLEWOOD-BARBERTON GAME.

The Minglewood base ball team defeated the Barberton club at North Lawrence, Saturday, by a score of 10 to 1. The Barbertons would have been shut out but for an error on the part of Britton. The game was an interesting one, however, and was witnessed by a large crowd. The score by innings:

Minglewood	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Barberton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Errors—Minglewoods, 6; Barbertons, 6.

RAILWAY NOTES.

A TRIP OF INSPECTION.

Receiver and General Manager Bluckensider and Superintendent Stout, of the W. & L. E. railway, started today on a tour of the road in the private car, to make a general inspection of the improvements in progress. Trainmaster Merwin will represent Superintendent Stout at the Ohio railway superintendents' meeting which is being held in Toledo today.

RAILWAYS AND WAGES.

The annual report of the Ohio railway commissioners, just out, states that the total number of employees in Ohio, excluding general officers, is 58,203. These men received during the year ending June 30, 1896, \$30,153,915.53 compensation for their work, an average of \$1.80 a day. Several thousand of these members are non-voters. In Ohio alone the Nypano Railroad has 3,858 employees; the Lake Shore, 4,624; the Big Four, 3,349; the P. C. & St. L., 1,561. The Nypano is the largest employer of labor in this state, although the Lake Shore system has the largest pay-roll of any road in Ohio, the total number of employees on the entire line being 13,805. The Norfolk & Western is second with 10,965; the P. C. & St. L. third, with 10,317; the Big Four fourth, with 9,725. However, the lines operated by the Pennsylvania Company, including the Cleveland & Pittsburgh, employ over 20,000 men. The C. L. & W. has 1,128 men on its pay-roll.

The report says that six general officers of the Lake Shore receive \$21,681. On one small road six general officers draw \$62,990. The average for Ohio railroads is only \$8,741.

General office clerks are paid an average of \$1.96.

Engineers are paid an average of \$3.51, firemen \$2, conductors \$3.02, other trainmen \$1.96, machinists \$2.16, carpenters \$1.92, other shopmen \$1.67, section foremen \$1.59, other trackmen \$1.16, switchmen, flagmen and watchmen \$1.71, telegraph operators and watchmen \$1.73. The wages of engineers run from \$1.37 to \$5.02.

In Ohio there are 425 general officers,

277 "other officers," 2,115 general office clerks, 2,190 station agents, 1,891 "other station men," 2,392 engineers, 2,080 firemen, 2,176 conductors, 1,856 "other trainmen," 1,981 section foremen, 1,080 switchmen, flagmen and watchmen, 1,937 telegraph operators and dispatchers.

HAWAIIAN ANNEXATION TREATY.

It Will Be Sent to the Senate in a Few Days.

WASHINGTON, June 11. [By Associated Press]—The treaty for the annexation of Hawaii will be sent to the Senate soon after the President's return from Nashville. It was all prepared before he left Washington. It is similar to the one prepared during Harrison's administration, and withdrawn by Mr. Cleveland. The United States will determine, after annexing the island, what form of government shall be given Hawaii. The United States will assume the Hawaiian debts and will become the owner of all crown lands.

OHIO COAL TONNAGE.

Jackson County Stands First and Massillon Seventh.

R. M. Hazeltine, state inspector of mines, in preparing his annual report, has made up his tables of tonnage of coal mined in this state during the year 1896 as follows: Lump, 9,161,316 tons; nut, 1,592,818 tons; pea or slack, 1,858,474 tons; total, 12,912,608 tons, being less than the previous year, when the total tonnage for the state was 13,683,879 tons. Last year Jackson county led, with a total tonnage of 2,072,816 tons and Perry came second with 1,789,109 tons, but this year Perry jumps into first place with 1,703,816 tons, and Jackson drops back to second place with 1,631,199 tons. Athens comes third with 1,383,709 tons, Hocking fourth with 1,351,511 tons, Belmont fifth with 1,082,064 tons, Guernsey sixth with 1,068,453 tons, Stark seventh with 1,056,879 tons.

In the state there were 28,446 men employed at mining as follows: Actual miners, 22,145 compared with 22,116 the previous year; day hands, 6,301, compared with 6,382 the previous year. Each county worked on an average of 27 1/2 weeks, compared with 28 weeks the previous year.

THE KING BOLT BROKE.

Serious Accident to a Party of Orrville People.

Mr. and Mrs. James Tanner and their son and Mrs. Miller, all of Orrville, started for Massillon on Sunday to visit friends. Mrs. Miller expected to meet her daughter, Mrs. Richard Johnson, of this city. At the Section farm the king bolt of the carriage broke, and the four were thrown out, all sustaining many bruises and scratches. The only one seriously injured was Mrs. Miller, whose scalp was cut four inches from the forehead. Six stitches were taken in the wound by Dr. James F. Gardner. Mrs. Miller spent the afternoon near the scene of the accident, and was then conveyed home.

A SICK WOMAN.

Should Consult the Best Physician Possible.

If all the sick mothers, invalid daughters and diseased sisters in this broad land would write to Dr. Hartman when failing to find relief elsewhere, no pen could describe the benefit that would follow. There are so many women, especially married women, who drag themselves wearily around from year to year without any particular disease, and yet miserable beyond description. They ache and tremble and throb, growing more nervous, tired and debilitated every day. For this class of sufferers Peruna is the most perfect remedy in existence. It relieves, it soothes, it strengthens, it quiets, and no tired, overworked woman in the land should be without Peruna in the house for a single day.

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A Humorous Tramp.

The tramp in real life, bereft of the picturesque atmosphere with which the comic papers surround him, is by no means a hideous creature, but a suburban resident claims to have discovered one with a vein of humor which would bring joy to the heart of the comic paragrapher. "The fellow stopped at my residence," remarked the suburbanite, "and asked for something to eat. My wife, chanced to be in the kitchen, and she told him he could have some dinner if he would first saw some wood. This the tramp agreed to do and repaired with the saw to the wood shed. After half an hour had elapsed and the hobo had not come to claim his reward my wife determined to investigate. Going to the shed, she saw that both tramp and saw had disappeared, while the wood pile was undisturbed. A piece of dirty paper pinned to the door caught her attention, and after considerable difficulty she deciphered the message, which read as follows: 'Just tell them that you saw me, but you did not see me saw.'"—Philadelphia Record.

Luck.

"Do you think there is any luck in a four leaf clover?" asked the young woman.

"Well," replied Mr. Barker thoughtfully, "I can't trace the connection between any superstition and actual occurrences, but I knew a girl who was very lucky soon after she found a four leaf clover."

"Do tell me about it."

"There isn't much to tell. While she was hunting the four leaf clover she got her feet wet and caught a cold, and everybody said she was lucky that she didn't die."—Washington Star.

"THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER."

O starry flag, thy symbols mean A brother and a brother thought Thy words denounce us as unclean, Who know not virtue is untaught, But, like moths' splendors, come unsought, And that the glory of thy stars Shines on, though dimmed when day is over.

His gates are still with glory fraught, So shall thy stars forever be The emblem of eternity, And stars and stripes together wave A beacon till the last crushed slave On earth's remotest shore or sea Emits the proud banner of the free. —David H. Johnson in New York Times.

AN ABLE POLICE HORSE.

He Can Count Up to Six and Perform Other Feats.

The cleverest horse on the New York police force is Pompey, whose registered number on the books of the department is 128. Let any horse or policeman who disputes this statement step forward and prove to the contrary.

Pompey gave an exhibition of his talents for the benefit of The Sunday Journal. He can count and understands ordinary conversation. He is, in fact, almost as intelligent as a policeman.

He is the steed and inseparable companion of Roundsman Redmond P. Keresey of the Thirty-eighth precinct, which is in the annexed district. Pompey is remarkable not alone for his talents; he has also a history, which is full of human interest.

His intelligence developed so rapidly that Keresey began to teach him a few tricks. He would tickle him under the right fore leg with a straw and say, "Pompey, give me your right hand." At first the horse would raise his leg to avoid the tickling, but soon he learned to do the same thing merely when he heard the words "right hand."

The same process taught him to offer his left foot when politely asked to do so. His education went on steadily, and he learned to raise his right or his left hind leg at a mere word from his master. Keresey made the horse understand that when he used the word "papa" in conversation he referred to himself—Keresey. Thus the policeman would say, "Give papa your right hand," and the animal would understand perfectly. The horse's name also was varied occasionally to "Papa's Boy."

An interesting feature of Pompey's education was the rapidity with which he acquired knowledge. In two weeks he raised his right foot when told to. His teacher had fewer difficulties than most men who train animals. Dogs are usually found to be inattentive and unduly exuberant. The superiority of the horse lies not in greater intelligence, but in greater docility.

The next stage was to make Pompey say "Yes" or "No." A tickling on the side of the neck caused him to move his head sidewise. This was accompanied by the command, "Say no." Finally the tickling could be omitted. A titillation of his chin taught him to move his head up and down, which meant yes.

After this Pompey began to learn to count. A light whip was placed on one of his forelegs near the ground. He raised the leg to avoid the obstacle and tapped the ground lightly. Keresey at the same time said, "Count one." Then he counted one without the use of the whip. This process was continued until Pompey was able to count six, which is his present state of proficiency. "Say, it's 6 o'clock, time for relief," says Keresey, and Pompey gravely scrapes his fore foot six times on the ground.

He takes two steps to the right or left when told to do so, and in fact has so many accomplishments that they cannot all be enumerated here.—New York Journal.

Both Ways.

"You are a producer of petroleum. I believe?" "I am."

"I would like to ask you a question or two."

"Go on."

"I have noticed that when oil sells high there is a great deal of activity in well drilling. Why is that?"

"That question is easily answered. We want to take all the advantage we can of high prices. That is natural enough, isn't it?"

"No doubt it is, but when the price of oil is low again prospectors are busy putting down wells. How do you explain that?"

"The explanation of that question is quite as simple as the other. When petroleum sells at a low price, we have to produce more to obtain the same return in dollars."—Pittsburg Chronicle.

Point Not Well Taken.

She—John, you are a perfect bear about the house.

He—Maria, that assertion won't stand the test of science a single moment. A bear sleeps all winter. He doesn't have to get out of bed before daylight every morning to stir up the fire and call the hired girl. Try some other metaphor, Maria.—Chicago Tribune.

Supremely Exasperating.

"Don't you think Mr. Spurrell has an awful temper?"

"She has, but can you blame the poor woman? She has a husband who just absolutely won't get mad at all."—Typographical Journal.

Dear Indeed.

"The dear, dear girls!" exclaimed Mrs. Pawkins, looking at her fashionable daughters enthusiastically.

"Yes, the dear, dear girls," muttered Mr. Pawkins despondently.—Pick Me Up.

HENRY IRVING AS A JOKER.

He and Toole Made a Tipsey Waiter Repent Temporarily.

Sir Henry Irving tells an amusing story of a joke that he, with Mr. Toole and a third party, played some years ago at a Glasgow hotel. After their work they were supping at the hotel, where, says Sir Henry, "there was in the room a high screen. The instant the waiter was gone we commenced operations. We stripped the silverware, of which there was a tolerable supply, from the table and placed it behind the screen. We then opened the window and turned out the gas, and finally all got under the table. We had only to remain in our cramped position a few minutes before we heard the unsteady feet of our friend, the waiter, along the passage.

"The darkened room amazed him and the cold air from the window seemed to strike him with affright.

"'Goodness!' exclaimed he, 'it's thieves they are. A thocht as much frae the luiks o' them, and frae their gay talk and their laughter. Eh, but I'm a ruined man. A wish a' had nae tae the hale o' that last bottle. Hear! Hear! Thieves! Thieves! Murder! Thieves! Thieves!' and shouting at the top of his voice he ran out of the room and along the passage.

"The minute he had gone we shut the door, lit the gas, restored the silver to the table and sat round as before, enjoying a quiet cigar. Presently there was a confused murmur along the passage. It grew louder and louder, and in poured a truly motley throng, mostly half dressed, consisting of the manager, two men in bare legs and slippers, and a lady with a blanket, in the alarm of fear caught up, followed by our agonized friend, the waiter. One man was armed with a poker and the other carried a bronze statuette ready to hurl at the thief. As they entered we all sat back and looked at them in well feigned amazement, and Toole said to the astonished and bewildered manager, 'Do you always come in this way with your friends when a gentleman asks for his bill?'—London Telegraph.

THE MAKING OF POISON.

A Factory Where the Most Deadly Drugs Are Prepared.

In London is a strange establishment, behind a wilderness of warehouses and rumbledown tenements, in a remote suburb. Its massive gates are locked and jealously guarded. A visitor must not only be careful where he steps and refrain from touching, he must also breathe with great caution. One of the terrible poisons manufactured here is pure anhydrous acid, a drug seldom seen outside a chemical laboratory. This is the deadliest of all known poisons. The discoverer was stricken dead from inhaling its fumes. From 3 to 5 per cent of this chemical added to 95 or 97 parts of water makes prussic acid. This diluted poison causes instant death, even when taken in minute quantities.

Next to anhydrous acid, the worst poison they make is cyanide of potassium. Last year they turned out over 1,000 tons of it. Five grains being a fatal dose, the annual output would be sufficient to kill 2,500,000 people. In the workshop, where men are gathered around a witch's cauldron containing over a hundred weight of molten cyanide, a strange picture is presented. The seething mass of white hot liquid poison, with the lambent play of the furnace fires, the phantom faces of the workmen, enveloped in an uncanny looking glass mask, peering into the heart of the dreadful mixture through the thick atmosphere, are a terrible sight. In another room, where are tons of the finished product, looking like crystallized sugar, "good enough to eat," one man is never allowed alone. For some inexplicable reason it exercises a strange fascination for the men who handle its fumes. They are haunted by a desire to eat it. But, knowing that satisfying the craving means instant death, most, but not all, are able to resist it. Aside from this fascination its manufacture is not considered unhealthy. The same cannot be said of corrosive sublimate. Its fumes are deadly.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

His Bonus.

They were just closing up the real estate deal, and the man who always wanted something thrown in to make a good bargain appeared to hesitate.

"What'll you throw in?"

"What'll I what?"

"What'll you throw in as a sort of bonus?"

"Oh, yes, yes, of course!" said the real estate man. "How stupid of me! Why, the fact is, in our line of business we are not exactly in the habit of giving prizes, but, in this case, just to make it binding, I don't mind throwing in the back taxes."

"Now you're talking business!" exclaimed the would be purchaser. "It always pays for a man to stick out for his rights."

It was only after the transfer was made that he discovered the back taxes were payable by and not to the owner.—Chicago Post.

The Obliging Bankrupt.

Good comradeship may count for much. No man ever typified this better than the Wall street broker who said to his friend the reporter: "I didn't fail until after the evening papers went to press, so that you could have it all to yourself in the morning. Come around in an hour or so, and I'll give you the figures."—Writer.

The home of Timothy Tarn, in the parish of Dufon, near Appleby, Westmoreland, England, is the most isolated dwelling place in the three kingdoms. No human being lives nearer than 11 miles.

It is recommended that there should be a regular hour for feeding poultry. It is wonderful how quickly the fowls will know when the time arrives. This is especially so with ducks.

THE GLOBE HOTEL.

Reminiscence of a Famous Hostelry of the Philadelphia Centennial.

The Philadelphia Times publishes a long article reviewing the history of the famous Globe hotel, just outside the grounds, which will be remembered by visitors to the Centennial exhibition in 1876. It was built by a company composed of some of the wealthiest and most prominent citizens of Philadelphia, including General Harry H. Bingham, who was president; Hamilton Disston, P. A. B. Widener, W. L. Elkins, Samuel Joseph, Charles H. Gross and others. Most of these gentlemen subscribed from \$20,000 to \$30,000 each. The ideas these capitalists had of the remunerative character of the enterprise they had engaged in may be judged from the fact that one of them, at meetings of the directors, could show most conclusively on paper that the net profits could not possibly be less than \$2,000,000. The hotel cost \$250,000, and was a most imposing structure, as many will recollect. A big mineral fountain was erected at one end, and the company received \$20,000 or \$23,000 for the lease of it. A manager of the hotel was engaged at \$1,000 a month for a year.

The hotel had accommodations for 5,000 guests. But somehow people would not patronize it. Samuel Joseph, later the originator of "Grover, Grover, four years more of Grover," and his partner paid \$50,000 for the bar privilege. Afterward the company remitted \$15,000, but even then the two lost \$60,000 on their venture. It was not a liquor drinking crowd that went to the Centennial. Connected with the Globe hotel, a couple of squares away, was a vast collection of sheds, beneath which teams could be sheltered and where they could be watered and fed. They calculated that the manure alone would pay all the expenses of the enterprise. During the six months of the exposition how many teams do you suppose were driven beneath the sheds? Exactly one. During July, August and September the hotel cleared an aggregate over expenses of \$103,000, but the upshot of the whole business was that when the exhibition closed the concern was sold out at public auction, and the mammoth hotel that had cost \$250,000 before a piece of furniture was placed in it was knocked down under the hammer for \$2,500. The stockholders in the enterprise received 67 cents for every dollar they had invested—a loss of 33 per cent. The Globe hotel enterprise was one of the brightest bubbles and most costly failures that ever marked a world's fair.

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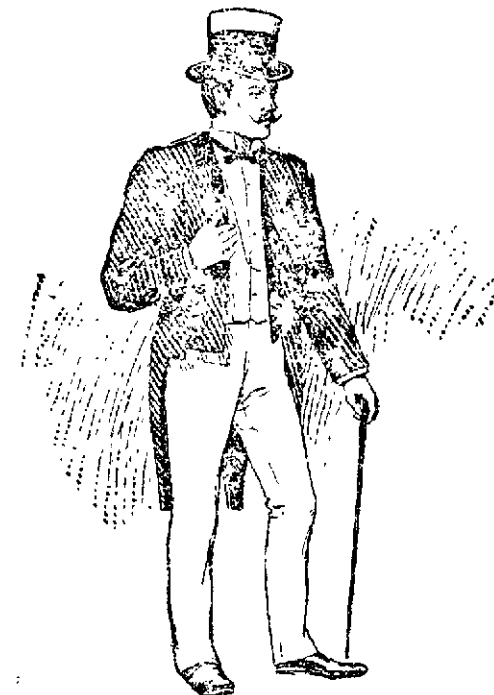
A SOCIAL HIGHWAYMAN

Beau Hickman Made His Friends Stand and Deliver.

HE WAS A FAMOUS BORROWER.

Spent \$10,000 During His First Year in Washington and Lived Luxuriously on Loans For Twenty Years Thereafter—Set the Pace For the Swift Set.

The fact that a play has been written around the queer life of Beau Hickman, whose personality was expensively familiar to public men in Washington more than a generation ago, has brought out a lot of reminiscences of the dignified and unquenchable beau, says the New York Sun. It requires a man pretty well along in years to remember much that is characteristic about Hickman, for, although he died only 24 years ago, he was on the crest of his national fame as the most irresistible and obnoxious of borrowers



BEAU HICKMAN. back in the later forties and had about reached the end of his tether when the war broke out.

For 20 years after Hickman's arrival in Washington, back in the thirties, he gave every evidence of having solved Thackeray's famous problem of how to live well on nothing a year. He belonged to a fine Virginia family, but from his boyhood his life was so tumultuously irregular that his father finally concluded he could stand him at home no longer and shipped him off to Washington with the outfit of a gentleman and \$10,000 in cash. This was only a couple of years after Hickman had attained his majority. He had received a first rate collegiate education, was of handsome and distinguished person, was skilled in horsemanship and the use of arms and possessed all the graces of the gallant of his day.

Upon his arrival he immediately began to set a pace for the swift set of men who at that period were startling the more staid folks of the capital with their wild idiosyncrasies in dissipation. It was a time when young men used to flush with gratified pleasure when their young women friends would clip them with their fans and call them "bad dogs" with mock mournfulness. The thirties saw the last expiring throes of the Bell's Life period, with its dicing, cockfighting and apothecias of six bottle men, and Hickman found the atmosphere that suited him precisely in Washington. In less than a year after his auspicious entry into the capital his \$10,000 had disappeared, and he was not only broke, but badly in debt.

For nearly a dozen years after his money was gone he made no change whatever in his mode of life. He still remained the dictator of proper form in men's attire, the creator of haberdashery for a considerable portion of this continent. He was never required to pay for anything he wanted in the way of wearing apparel, and on the periodical visits of the men's outfitters who at that time made a practice of going to Washington from New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore to get the trade of the famous men there, they would all look up Beau Hickman and offer him anything he wanted for the sake of the advertising his wearing of their goods would give them. He lived at the best hotels in the city, holding their best suits of rooms, without ever paying a cent for his accommodations. When he would finally cur the thing too far for a landlord's submission at one hotel, he would calmly remove his effects to another.

The hotel men of that time were different from what they are today, and they hesitated to turn a man who spent all his time cheek by jowl with the most famous men in the land. Hickman during this period was never lacking in pocket money; he had not yet degenerated into the pensioner, but was the elegant beneficiary of the scores of noted men on his list of intimates. The newly arriving senators and congressmen made a practice of greeting the beau with a gilded palm when they came to Washington; the younger public men, flushed with political success and ambitious for distinction among the rapid all night set among whom the beau introduced them, considered it rather an honor to put so eminent a speaker as Hickman in their debt and resented willingly to his taxation.

But the roseate period of the beau's life came gradually to an end. Once he began to slide the downward slide his descent was rapid. He was compelled to make his collections a matter of business instead of a matter of social patronization. He never, however, put his demands in a begging or dependent manner, but approached his men in the spirit of one asking his just deserts for a valuable consideration. In time he came to consider himself a social pensioner for services rendered in his better days, when he contributed to the mirth and enjoyment of his friends.

He made a practice of taxing members of congress and other officials around Washington for a regular and specific amount, which he would collect in the most business-like fashion. When he first began this sort of thing, they generally humored his demands on account of his brazen effrontery, and he would regard this complaisance as a virtual recognition of his demands. Every three months he would present to these friends his "bills for quarters," and few of them succeeded in mustering sufficient ingenuity to escape the rapacity of his demands. He had such an exact knowledge of human nature that he rarely made a mistake in selecting the proper time and place to present his "bills."

He would generally choose some public place in which his "debtor" happened to

be surrounded by friends. In truth, it was at one time considered a slight not to be "patronized" by Beau Hickman, and the man who refused to humor his pretensions was accounted stingy. Occasionally his victims would pretend to protest again his frequent assessments or complaints of excessive charges. Once he presented his "bill" to a wealthy southern gentleman, a member of congress, who courteously intimated that he thought the "quarterage" excessive upon looking at the slip of paper upon which the assessment was regularly made out. The member suggested a compromise by paying half the amount. The beau assumed the dignified attitude of a legitimate dealer and unyieldingly declined any compromise.

"No, sir," he said, "your assessment is strictly in proportion to your means; and, sir, knowing that I am no d— money shaver, you should not expect me to compromise myself by entertaining such an unbusiness-like proposition. All or none, sir." He got all.

This sort of thing came to a natural death in time, and then the beau, still a frequenter of hotels and saloons, became a teller of stories for a consideration. He was an ingenious story teller and a good mimic. At the conclusion of a yarn, related to a party some of the members of which happened to be strangers to him, he would remark that the story was worth a specified sum of money. The stranger among his listeners would laugh and unspectacularly reply, "It certainly is—it's a mighty good yarn," whereupon the beau would startle him by saying, "All right, then; pass over the chips." The victim would be seized with blank amazement and look quizzically at the beau as he paid over the conceded value of the story amid the grins of the men present, who had seen the thing done before.

Hickman lost his good looks and became leathery faced from dissipation while he was still a comparatively young man, and the poverty and hardships of his later years made a sad looking wreck of the once distinguished beau. Toward the end he was pinched for the actual necessities of life. He was buried in potter's field, without the knowledge of any of the friends who had encouraged him in his brazen way of living in former years by yielding to his holdups. Some of these got together the day after his interment in potter's field and made up a purse to give him decent sepulture in the congressional cemetery.

A DEEP MYSTERY SOLVED.

A Fragment Torn From a Telegraph Blank Furnishes the Only Clue.

What at first promised to be an unsolvable suicide mystery was untangled in New York city by means of a fragment torn from a postal telegraph message blank found on the corpse. One morning recently a watchman discovered the body of a woman floating in the Central park reservoir. She had evidently committed suicide, as every mark by which she might be identified had been removed from her clothing. In her pockets were several notes, all signed with the same fictitious name, "Tiana."

The clue which ultimately led to her positive identity was a scrap torn from a telegraph blank in which was carefully wrapped a single violet. The only marks upon the paper were the number "59" and the check letters of the sending and receiving operators. When Superintendent Bradley of the Postal Telegraph company received the paper from the coroner, he immediately set seven men at work to trace the telegram. They began their task first upon the check marks. These were much faded by the action of the water, but that of the receiving operator was made out, with the aid of a magnifying glass, to be "Th." This is an uncommon signature, and there is an operator in the main office who uses it.

The check of the receiving operator was illegible, because part of it had been torn off, but the writing that remained was found to be the first part of the letter "F." After nearly 24 hours' work, and the examination of hundreds of telegrams numbered 59, one was found sent by Th to Fu, a receiving operator in Brooklyn. This was addressed to a name which proved to be that of the suicide.

THE WICKED CHICAGO BOY.

His Latest Improvement in the Art of Larceny.

Not the least of the difficulties that an immigrant has to contend with in his first experiences in this country is the bad boy that steals his pipe, says the observant George Ade.

As the through train comes into Chicago the boy gets his favorite position between the box cars on the sidewalk, from whence he slyly runs his eye along the side of the car till he singles out the best prize. The most favorable mark is the sleeping immigrant, with a long steamed meer-



THE SLEEPY IMMIGRANT. seaham projecting through the window. As the train shakes up the boy braces himself for the trial, which requires quickness and precision. As the pipe comes within reach a hand shoots out and grabs the bowl, there is a pull, a grating sound as the immigrant sets his teeth and then something comes away. Sometimes it is only the bowl. Sometimes the mouthpiece is left, and then at times the surprise is complete, and the bad boy has a whole pipe to carry away at the top of his speed.

The feelings of the outraged immigrant cannot be described definitely, as they are generally given out in a foreign language.

Novel Litigation.

Legal disputes in Borneo are curiously decided. The two litigants are each given a lump of salt of the same size to drop simultaneously into water. The one whose lump first dissolves is deemed to be in the wrong.



THE FUTURE OF THE HORSE.

An Improved Demand Is Reported For the Better Class of Horses.

There has of late been a steady decline in the value of the horse, according to a report from the department of agriculture showing the value of farm animals on Jan. 1, 1897. Its treatment of the statistics in relation to the horse is especially interesting. The decline in the prices of horses is usually attributed to the rapid introduction of the trolley and the bicycle, but the figures submitted by the department prove these to have been but minor causes. Most of the decline in prices is attributed to the heavily increased production of horses on ranges of the west and the facilities afforded for handling the traffic by the railway. The world has never before seen so large a region suddenly made available for horse breeding.

Between the years 1849 and 1893 the number of horses in Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico and farther west increased from 1,479,768 to 1,972,523, or about one-third. In 1866 the average price of horses in the United States was \$59.86. From 1883 to 1889 the average price ranged between \$70.59 and \$74.64, the latter price having been reached in 1884. By 1892 the average was \$65.01.

The rapid decline set in after 1893, in which year the average price was \$61.22. The figure in 1894 was \$47.83, in 1895 \$36.29, in 1896 \$33.97 and at the beginning of the present year \$31.51.

On western ranges the prices are about the lowest on record. The average price of a horse there is but two-fifths of what it was in 1884, and of mules less than one-half. In some parts of the range country horses are rated at \$2 a head. They have even been given away or shot to save pasture. Cheap western horses have checked breeding in the east and south, and it is well known that their quality is inferior to that of the horses displaced.

The department of agriculture thinks the outlook is encouraging. Since 1893 the number of horses in the western division has declined from 1,972,523 to 1,626,402, or nearly 18 per cent. Our foreign exports of horses have grown from 3,000 a year prior to 1893 to 28,000 in 1896. The horse has lost much of its value as a product in western breeding areas, and they will be devoted to industries that pay better.

An improving demand is reported for the better class of horses, especially for young ones, for draft and driving purposes. The department expresses the belief that "the depression in the horse market has already passed its lowest point." Probably there is no direction in which the breeder can look for better prices more hopefully than in that of good quality. At all events, the market for cheap horses of poor quality is greatly overstocked, says Home and Farm, which recently called attention to the foregoing statistics in its editorial columns.

Alfalfa in Illinois.

C. C. Georgeson is authority for the statement that alfalfa can be grown successfully in northern Illinois if a suitable soil is selected. It prefers a deep, somewhat porous subsoil, such as we find in alluvial river bottoms, but it will also do well on any reasonably good upland soil where the roots can penetrate eight or ten feet. The climatic conditions of northern Illinois should be no obstacle to its successful culture. In Illinois, where the rainfall is usually sufficient for the growth of crops and where the summer drought is seldom severe, alfalfa seed can be sown with oats in the spring, as grass or clover is sown, either broadcast or drilled. If, on the other hand, there is danger of drought in July, the young alfalfa might suffer severely after the removal of the oats. In that case it would be better to sow the seed by itself. Alfalfa can be sown in July or the beginning of August with good success. It requires 20 pounds of alfalfa to seed an acre.

Changing Varieties of Corn.

The Ohio station's tests do not encourage the making of abrupt changes in the variety of corn grown in a given locality. Some of the most valuable sorts, such as Leaming and Hess' White, have been fixed by careful selection through a considerable period of time in single localities, and thus far there has been no evidence that such sorts may not continue to improve under the same method of treatment, but when moved to a different soil and climate these same sorts are often disappointing. Even when the differences in latitude are small, if the character of the soil be radically different there is likely to be considerable variation in the behavior of the crop.

Tomatoes Grown by the Acre.

Many farmers now find the tomato a fairly profitable crop. They require moderately fertile land, but not so rich as the vines find in ordinary garden culture. Very rich land makes too much foliage and delays ripening the fruit. It is not expected, however, that field tomatoes shall be earliest in market. More often their best sale comes late in the season, when there is demand even for the unripe fruit to be made into pickles with other vegetable products of the garden.—American Cultivator.

Fertilizer For the Sugar Beet.

Lime as a special fertilizer for the sugar beet on all except extremely light soils has given promising results in Germany and at the Rhode Island station. It usually increases the yield and is also said to increase the sugar content. In this conviction American Agriculturist says, "We would not wish to indorse either proposition, but we do urge that experiments with and without lime be tried by beet growers this spring."

BEETS ON IRRIGATED LAND.

A Staple Crop Which Demands the Favorable Attention of Farmers.

The successful growth of sugar beets in the arid regions with and without irrigation has introduced a new factor into the science of beet meteorology. While the arid area on which beets can be grown without irrigation is probably confined almost exclusively to the coast valleys of California, the successful commercial production of sugar beets in Utah and New Mexico has opened up a new field for the extension of the sugar industry over large areas suited to irrigation in the western and southwestern regions of the United States. It is certain now that Colorado, Utah, New Mexico, Idaho and Arizona may become great sugar producing states, not excluding other areas in the arid region. California has already set the pace of progress, and the other arid states will not be slow to follow. The high cost of good irrigation renders it imperative that the areas under culture be devoted to a crop which is capable of producing a more valuable yield than is afforded by cereal culture. Of all the home markets for our domestic agricultural products there is none so expansive as that for sugar. With an annual consumption of 2,000,000 tons and with a certainty of rapid increase, the demand for sugar promises to be the salvation of American agriculture.

The northern parts of our eastern and middle states and the states of Oregon and Washington have at least an equal chance for the successful production of beet sugar with the fields of Germany and France. The irrigable parts of the great southwest, it is believed, have advantages of soil and climate which will enable them to enter into competition even with the Hawaiian islands and Cuba. To be able to control the moisture in the soil is a matter of prime importance to the beet grower. In the arid region the beet can be left to mature at the proper time by withholding the water. Subsequently there is no danger of loss due to second growth, so easily induced by late warm autumnal rains. In a dry soil the beet can endure without damage a low temperature which would prove quite disastrous in a wet climate. In fact, there is no staple crop which can compete with the sugar beet in demanding the favorable attention of those interested in irrigation. If a net profit of from \$10 to \$20 per acre can be secured, from \$100 to \$200 per acre can be paid for the land. It is estimated that nearly 100,000,000 acres of land in the arid regions of the United States may eventually be irrigated, being nearly one-fifth of the total area. Of this area perhaps 10 per cent is capable of easy and speedy irrigation. One million acres planted to beets would yield, under intensive culture, a quantity of sugar sufficient, with the Louisiana product, for domestic consumption. There is nowhere in sight a more promising prospect for agricultural development than in the production of sugar beets on irrigated lands, says the authority for the foregoing, H. W. Wiley, in The Farmer's bulletin on the sugar beet.

Successful Melon Culture.

Watermelons are excessive feeders and must have plenty of plant food. Here is the plan of a successful grower of melons given in The Orange Judd Farmer. He says:

I prepare the ground for corn. Lay off in rows 12 feet apart each way. I dig a hole about 1½ feet deep and perhaps 3 feet in diameter. In the bottom of this I put a peck or more of good stable manure, tramping it lightly. Next put in a layer of soil and follow with a layer made up of equal parts of soil and fine, rich manure thoroughly mixed, and lastly, where the seeds are to be placed, another layer of pure soil. Sow seeds thickly and cover about one inch. When the second or third leaf shows, thin out to two or three plants in the hill. If exceptionally large melons, regular "prize takers," are desired, thin to but one plant in the hill. Cultivate about as I do corn, hoeing each hill after another patch is plowed. If very dry, cultivate often, particularly about the hills.

The Army Worm.

In reply to the query, "Will the army worm come this year?" Professor Slingerland, Cornell station, writing to the New England Homestead, says:

I have noticed in reports from some localities in New York that farmers are planning to refrain from sowing oats and other grains for fear of a repetition of the 1896 invasion of the worms this summer. Of course no one can say definitely when the crops of New York or any other state will be again ravaged by the pest, but I believe that the history of the insect and the evident and very effective work of its enemies last year strongly indicate that the army worms will be scarce in 1897 and for some years to come in most parts of New York and adjoining states. At any rate, I would strongly advise farmers to sow their grain crops as usual.

Agricultural Brevities.

Treatment of seed corn to destroy smut germs does not seem practicable. Gathering and burning the smut boils before they rupture is recommended as a helpful preventive measure. To avoid conditions favorable to smut is also advised in a bulletin from the Ohio station.

It is said that Wisconsin leads the states east of the Missouri in the beet sugar industry.

Professor Slingerland says that the Colorado law prohibiting the spraying of fruit trees with poison when in bloom is all right and will really prove a good measure.

The Idaho legislature at its last session appropriated \$10,500 for the support of its state board of horticulture during the current biennial period.

Sledge dogs have increased in price in the northwest owing to the great demand for dogs to haul supplies to the gold mines in the Yukon country, Alaska.

THE GIRL GOLD DIGGER.

She Is the Pride and the Mystery of the Yukon Camps.

The rush to the Yukon goldfields this spring is greater than even the most optimistic miners looked forward to. Old timers say that the scenes of 1849 in California have been discounted. It is reported that pay dirt has been found in large quantities and fortunes are being made by many.

Romance has also entered into this dominion of Mammon and unrighteousness. It has come in the form of a pretty girl, whom nobody knows, and yet whom every one loves. She is by no means a daughter of the gods, and is neither divinely tall nor most divinely fair, but she is a sturdy



ANNIE GRAVES. beauty, who works her own claim and who, the gossips have it, is making money. Not only does she work her claim, but on more than one occasion has defended it with revolvers. If there is anything that the miner admires, it is a plucky woman. If there is aught that he really loves, it is a pretty girl who seems not to be aware of his existence. Pleasant, bright, with a cheery word for all and a word of affection for none, this girl of the mines has almost set the diggings by the ears.

No man has the slightest claim on Annie Graves, as she calls herself, and if any man alleged that he did have, it would probably have a tendency to shorten his existence. Miss Annie is in many respects like unto the typical westerner. About the medium height, she is of good figure and carries herself well. Her face is neither oval nor round. As one of the red shirted gentry said, "She's pretty—that's all." There is scarcely a night that in some one of the places where whisky and cards rule there is not a quarrel over this young woman between men who have perhaps never spoken to her. She is the daughter of the diggings, and there is no man there who would not fight for her at the drop of the hat.

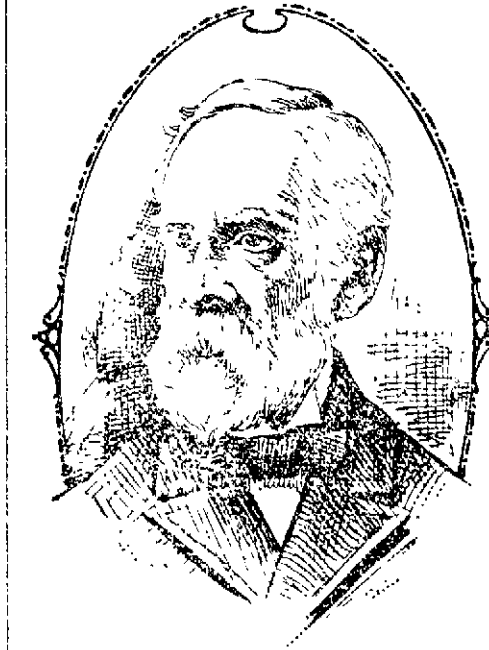
As to her past history she is silent. No one knows whence she came. The most that anybody can say is that she simply appeared here one morning and from that time the diggings' inhabitants have been her slaves. It might be thought a rather dangerous task for a pretty young woman to go about alone and apparently friendless, so far as close friends are concerned, but the man who would say an insulting word to Annie Graves had better turn his thoughts to the next world, for that is the direction in which he is sure to go.

SCRUGGS, SMUGGLER.

Unfortunate Predicament of a Wealthy St. Louis Merchant.

Richard M. Scruggs is a millionaire dry goods merchant of St. Louis. He stands high in the business and social world, and his active interest in church work has made him loved and respected in religious circles. He is a Sunday school superintendent and the most liberal patron of the fashionable Cook Avenue church. In short, Mr. Scruggs is regarded as an exemplary citizen of the town in which he lives.

Imagine, then, the horror and consternation of this good man's friends when the news was telegraphed to St. Louis that Mr. Scruggs and his secretary, Mr. Langhorne, had been arrested in New York for smuggling when they stepped off



RICHARD M. SCRUGGS. the steamer St. Paul, on which they had just arrived from Europe. The report proved true, and worst of all, the evidence of their guilt was found upon them. When the inspectors searched Langhorne, they found a belt containing diamonds, jewelry and watches. Similar articles were found in Mr. Scruggs' pockets. Valuable lace was also captured. The captured stuff is worth \$3,000.

Mr. Scruggs' explanation is that he bought the jewelry for the teachers of the St. Louis Sunday School union, of which he is the president, and that he was told in England that it was not dutiable. Nevertheless, he was very careful to conceal the articles upon his person and made a great show of indignation when the inspectors insisted on searching him.

The two men were arrested and a prominent New York merchant gave bail for their appearance before the federal grand jury.

Intimidating a Judge.

A number of employees of a Denver court have tried to intimidate a judge by shooting the panel on which his head usually rests. When court convened the other day, the panel was found to be full of bullet holes.

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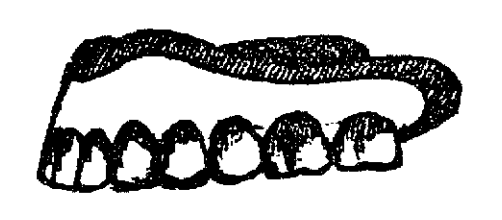


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The liberal tone being adopted by many of the clergy respecting the inspiration of the scriptures is not more strikingly shown than in the carefully studied statement of the Rev. Mr. Buchholz, a Catholic priest, in a Canton church on Sunday last. Said he: "It cannot be conclusively demonstrated from intrinsic arguments, that the Bible was an inspired book."

The Ohio state board of health has obtained valuable returns relating to the use of antitoxin in the treatment of cases of diphtheria and membranous croup. There were 2,527 cases reported including 386 deaths. The per cent of mortality was 15.2. The number of cases treated without antitoxin was 1,475, including 250 deaths or 16.9 per cent. The total number of cases treated with antitoxin was 1,052 including 136 deaths or 11.9 per cent. In other words there was an advantage of 5 per cent in the treatment of cases with antitoxin.

Any lingering notion that Stark county Republicans are dormant, must have been dispelled on Saturday, when six hundred able bodied citizens attended the mass convention called to select delegates to the state convention. Simply to make an ordinarily tame proceeding interesting, there was a genuine skirmish for the honor of presiding over the convention. Mr. Thomas C. Turner was elected with a small margin to spare over Mr. Denver C. Hughes, and everybody was satisfied. A splendid lot of delegates were chosen, and the convention adjourned. The outlook is most encouraging, and Stark county will read her record clear after the election in November.

The Canton News-Democrat asks for the nomination of John C. Welty for governor by the Democratic party "on the grounds of historic justice." THE INDEPENDENT intends to do all it can to defeat Mr. Welty if nominated, still as long as a Democrat must be nominated, and Mayor Schott has withdrawn, it suggests that Mr. Welty be nominated because he is as good as a Democrat can hope to be, appreciates the qualities of a fine horse, is opposed to humbug, and covets the honor sufficiently to ask for it. This thing of putting Mr. Welty in the antediluvian class, and demanding his nomination on the grounds of historic justice will never win. Editor McGregor has had personal experience with the weight given to historic justice by the Democratic brethren of Ohio.

Ex-Governor Boies of Iowa has gone back on the Bryanites and now declines to have anything to do with the cause of free silver. The significance of this change of heart will be apparent when it is considered that Mr. Boies was not long ago one of the leading candidates for the Presidency before the convention which nominated Bryan. Mr. Boies evidently saw his mistake through the force of the protest raised against free coinage during the last campaign. The ex-governor is now advocating a scheme of gold and silver certificates, by which the holder of gold or silver bullion is to take it to the treasury, get a certificate for it, the certificate to circulate at the market value of the bullion which it represents. A proposition of this sort would cause a howl of opposition from every silverite in the country.

AS TO INDUSTRIAL CONDITIONS.

The New York Mail and Express publishes from its staff correspondent, E. C. Howland, who has been investigating industrial conditions in Pittsburg, the following interview with B. F. Jones, senior member of the American Iron and Steel works firm:

"I have," said Mr. Jones, "reduced the wages of unskilled labor in this establishment for a very simple business reason. The country is entering upon a period of low prices for manufactured products and the supplies consumed in life. Rent, food and clothing are all very much cheaper than they were. At the same time, the profits of manufacture are depressed in even greater proportion. This does not mean any decrease of comfort to the workmen. It means that we are entering upon a new period of national development, in which we must expect a readjustment of both wages and the returns from invested capital."

James B. Oliver, president of the Oliver Iron and Steel Company, said: "It is absolutely untrue that there is any destitution of an abnormal kind in western Pennsylvania. We are not running on full time, but we are, as a matter of fact, running to nearly three-fourths of our capacity. Our mills will, we expect, be doing much more work after the passage of the tariff bill. The settlement of that question for a considerable period of time in the future will encourage business in all its branches. It will benefit the workman far more than it will the capitalist. I do not look for higher prices for either product or for labor, but I look for full employment for all workmen, and I look for reasonable returns for invested capital. We have got to adjust ourselves to new con-

ditions, and the process may be painful, but the result will be happiness and prosperity. I know that the workmen of Pittsburg and of Allegheny county are busy, thrifty and happier than many of their employers."

THE SENATE AND THE TARIFF.

To the Editor of THE INDEPENDENT.

People who are impatient about the supposed delay of Congress in passing the tariff bill should look a little into the history of tariff legislation in the United States. No Congress, even when both of its branches were controlled by a single party, has, within the memory of the present generation, made the progress which this one has with a tariff bill, and no President since Washington has had an opportunity to attach his signature to a tariff law within as brief a space of time after his inauguration as will William McKinley, unless some entirely unexpected development shall interrupt the progress toward its early completion. There is good reason to believe that the tariff bill will pass the Senate within the present month and that President McKinley will have an opportunity to sign it within four months of the date of his inauguration.

Even President Lincoln, who came into office under extraordinary conditions and circumstances, and with war in prospect, did not sign his first tariff act until August 5, 1861. President William Henry Harrison called Congress in special session shortly after his inauguration on March 4, 1841, because of the condition of finances and revenue, yet that Congress did not put its tariff bill upon the statute books until August 30, 1842. President Polk, who was inaugurated on March 4, 1845, did not sign his tariff act until July 30, 1846. Pierce, who was inaugurated in 1853, signed his tariff act March 3, 1857. Grant was inaugurated March 4, 1869, and signed his first tariff act July 14, 1870, and another June 6, 1872; the Garfield administration was inaugurated March 4, 1881, yet the tariff act signed by President Arthur was dated March 3, 1883; President Benjamin Harrison was inaugurated March 4, 1889, and signed his first tariff act October 1, 1890; Grover Cleveland and his free trade Congress came into power March 4, 1893, yet the Wilson tariff which he refused to sign did not become a law until August 28, 1894. In nearly all of the above cases both branches of Congress were in accord with the executive politically, a single party controlling Senate as well as House. When it is considered that the Republican party, which controls the House, has now but 43 of the 89 members of the Senate, the fact that its leaders have been able to make the speed which they have developed in the consideration of this and other important legislation should satisfy the most exacting, if they but take the trouble to compare present conditions and present progress with that of any other period in the history of the country. ARISTIN.

WASHINGTON, June 12.

HAWAIIAN ANNEXATION.

The chief reason for the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands is found in the fact that 91 per cent of their trade is with the United States. For the year ending June 30, 1896, we imported \$11,336,796 worth of sugar from there, or more than half as much as we imported from Cuba in the same year. In return we supplied Hawaii with groceries, provisions, grain, timber, machinery, hardware and what clothing is needed in its salubrious climate.

In population the islands have been rapidly changing from Maori to Mongolian. According to the latest census there were 30,019 native Hawaiians, 8,485 half bred Hawaiians, 24,407 Japanese, 21,616 Chinese, and 15,191 Portuguese, leaving only 8,392 to be divided among Americans, English, Germans, Norwegians and other foreigners, of whom less than 2,000, or about 2 per cent, of the whole, were Americans.

The Chinese and Japanese have been increasing rapidly, and it is to the attempt to restrict or prohibit their coming that we owe the present agitation for annexation to the United States. With the Hawaiians it is annexation to the United States, accepting British sovereignty or complete submersion under the tide of Japanese immigration. The three stand in the order of preference, alternative and necessity. — Chicago Post.

HOW BRICE SUCCEEDED.

"When Brice went to New York," said ex-Secretary Foster the other day at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, "he took our breath away. We couldn't exactly follow him, he went so fast in Wall street. The first time I met him after he became famous I asked him how he managed it. We didn't think him any great shakes in Ohio. He said:

"Oh, it's easy. I started in with the assumption that ninety-nine people in a hundred knew as little about things as I did, and the assumption generally proved to be right. I pretended I knew all about everything, and tried to give the impression that there was nothing I couldn't accomplish. I always said that I could do anything that was suggested, even though I knew nothing about it. Then I would go home and think up some way to do it, or else do something that would answer as well. But the main point in achieving success is always to know all about everything." New York Press.

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MR. HOWELLS AT HOME

The Former Consul Returns to Massillon.

HALE, HEARTY AND HAPPY.

Accompanied by His Family He Takes Up His Private Affairs—He Chats With a Reporter About His Experiences and Views of Matters Foreign.

The Hon. Anthony Howells, ex-consul to Cardiff, Wales, who recently sent his resignation to the President and has now returned to Massillon to look after his business interests, has all he can attend to these days shaking hands with his old friends and associates.

Mr. Howells said, Tuesday morning, that he must first renew his acquaintance with American politics before he would be prepared to discuss it much, but whichever party is at fault, he feels that the country is in a deplorable condition. Mr. Howells's views on the financial question last fall were not those of Mr. Bryan, but as other things change so much over here, he says, he would not be surprised if political opinions do, too. But on this subject he thinks he will be better able to talk later.

Times are none too brisk across the water either, he says, but the condition of the laboring classes, especially the miners, is much better than here.

"The average wages of the Welsh miner," said he, "are about \$1.25 a day. Of course some make more, some less. They have fairly steady employment, seldom, if ever, having less than four days work a week. The miners are well organized and wages are regulated by a sliding scale. Once every two months a joint committee of operators and miners meet and fix prices, which shall be in effect for the sixty days following. They have not had a strike of any consequence over there in the last eighteen years, and this has been the making of South Wales. The laboring classes there enjoy good, substantial home comforts, but no luxuries. They live more economically than the masses of this country, and as wages are practically the same from one year's end to another, there is little change in their manner of living. It has been different in this country, for men who once made large wages are unable to do so longer, and it is a difficult matter to adjust oneself to the changed conditions.

"Over there they do not have booms, when wages double and men are in demand. They know just how much they are going to make tomorrow and expect more. They live happily and contentedly, though perhaps frugally. I see but little difference in the cost of living in Wales and in America.

"Last year there were shipped from Cardiff to all parts of the world 15,000,000 tons of coal. The total output of all Wales was but 25,000,000 tons. By this it can easily be seen why Cardiff has come to be the greatest export port on the globe, in tonnage at least.

"In population, too, Cardiff is worthy of consideration, for it is now 165,000, an increase of 85,000 since 1880, and is growing. Just a few miles distant, where twelve years ago there was nothing but green fields, is now a thriving city of 30,000, and here is the finest dock property in the world.

"The tin trade is not what it might and ought to be. If the people over there could be brought to use tin as it is in this country, the importance of the industry could be enormously increased. The people there insist on roofing their houses with slate at almost four times the expense of tin. I told some of my friends interested in that direction that if they had a dozen Yankees running such things, there would be a change. To be sure, slate is more durable than tin, but if three tin roofs were put on in the time that one of slate would last, there would be a saving a money and best of all there would be a great consumption of a home production.

"While the wages of the workmen of Wales and this country are practically the same, there is a vast difference in the fees of professional men. To demonstrate this fact I will say that an American lawyer will perform the same duties for me for \$5 as I was obliged to pay \$25 in Cardiff. It is not likely that it will always be this way though, for the day is near at hand when the professions will not be monopolized by men of means. Even now it is not uncommon to meet persons high in professional life who have sprung from the ranks of the lowest and humblest.

"It costs money to get a medical or legal or any other technical education there, although the opportunities for securing a common school education are as great as here. The people are taking advantage of this fact, too, and the last twenty years have brought great changes among them."

Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee, Mr. Howells says, will be one of the great events of English history. It will be more magnificent than anything in the past. The people of South Wales will attend almost en masse, for they are loyal to the queen in the truest sense of the word. Syndicates, he says, have bought whole blocks of houses, moved them away and erected tiers of seats where they were. Great fortunes will be made by these transactions and some may be lost. Tickets to these seats are selling for from one to forty guineas each, according to their location.

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A TUESDAY EVENING WEDDING.

The Marriage of Perry E. McConaughy and Anna L. Meek.

The marriage of Mr. Perry E. McConaughy and Miss Anna L. Meek took place at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Julia A. Meek, in West Main street, at eight o'clock Tuesday evening, the Rev. Dr. George B. Smith officiating. Only a few relatives and intimate friends were present. An hour after the ceremony had been performed Mr. and Mrs. McConaughy were driven to an east bound train, upon which they left for a honeymoon trip. Mr. McConaughy has been connected with the business of Allman & Putman for many years, and is now one of the firm's most trusted and reliable employees. The bride is a graduate of the Massillon high school, and just prior to her marriage was a book-keeper in the office of S. A. Conrad & Co.

YOUNG BLAIR IN TROUBLE.

He is Charged with Misappropriating Property.

F. J. Blair, formerly a division superintendent of the W. & L. E. railway, and a son of President Blair of that road, was confined in the Cuyahoga county jail Friday night, charged with appropriating the property of another to his own use. The affidavit was issued in behalf of John Quinn, proprietor of the Weddell House cigar store. Several months ago Mr. Blair borrowed from Mr. Quinn a diamond ring, valued at \$300, as he said to wear on a "swell time," but forgot to return the jewel. When arrested Mr. Blair admitted that he had pawned the ring in Detroit and seemed very much surprised that Quinn should cause his arrest. Mr. Blair was released Saturday on \$300 bail and thinks his father will settle matters.

LEASING COAL LAND.

I. B. Douglass Secures Several Farms Near Orrville.

I. B. Douglass and his son, H. A. Douglass, of Sugarcreek township, says the Orrville Crescent, completed an extensive coal lease with the owners of sixteen farms northwest of Orrville, on Saturday. The lease includes between 2,100 and 2,200 acres of land and is for mining purposes only, which is to be developed within one year. The names of the persons included in the list are Jonas Smoker, George Eike, J. H. Liechty, D. H. Hooley, S. D. Burkholder, Gideon Smoker, W. A. Eike, P. B. Musser, M. C. Smucker, Joseph Ramseyer, Moses Schrock, David Kurtz, Albert Hartzler, C. J. Yoder, Amos Smucker, David Schrock.

Party Line Telephone.

The advantages of the Central Union party line telephone service are thus described: "The service will be party line service, with six subscribers on each circuit, but instead of each subscriber hearing the bell ring when any of them are called, only the bell of the party wanted will be rung, with the further advantage that as soon as that party removes the ear phone from the hook, all of the other five subscribers' instruments will be electrically locked, so that none of them can eavesdrop. In addition to the electrical locking device is another device that displays a small red or white sign on the top of all the telephones that are not being used which will read 'line in use,' so that a business man having a party line telephone will see at a glance when the line is in use, and will save him many a step, as the party line service now furnished, he must go to the phone and listen to find out whether it is being used by some other subscriber on the same line or circuit with him."

The Situation at Benders.

It can hardly be said that any of the Bender household have entirely recovered from the effect which Friday night's experience had on their nerves. Jeremiah suffers most. Mrs. Ricksecker is bearing up bravely, and strenuously denies the reports that she has become so badly frightened that she intends to resign her present position.

Tossed on the Foaming Billows

You may never have been, but if you cross the Atlantic, no matter how smooth the watery expanse, without sea sickness you are—well, a lucky voyager, that is all. Old tars who have spent their lives on the ocean waves, who were almost born, so to speak, with their "sea legs on," suffer now and then from sea sickness in very tempestuous weather. Sea captains, tourists, commercial travelers and yachtsmen say that there is no finer safeguard against nausea than Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, and it has been equally reliable as a preventive by invalids who travel by steamboat and railroad, and who sometimes suffer as much in those conveyances as ocean travelers do in steamships. Biliousness, constipation, sick headache and disorders of the stomach caused by oppressive climatic influences or unwholesome or unaccustomed food or water, always yield to the Bitters speedily. This popular medicine also remedies rheumatism, kidney and nervous disorders, and the infirmities incident to increasing years.

There are not three cases in a hundred of woman's peculiar diseases that Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription will not cure. It saves the modest woman the humiliation of physicians' examinations and "local treatments." Its side exceeds the combined sales of all other medicines for women. Thousands of grateful women have been rendered healthy and happy by its use, and the experience and testimony of many of them has been included in Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser. Sent on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps, to pay cost of mailing only. Address, World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

There is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over 4 as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cts. and 25 cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

Now is the time to subscribe.

DIFFERENTIAL AGAIN.

Now the Question is Between Ohio and Pennsylvania.

OPERATORS AND MINERS CONFER.

A Breezy Meeting Held in Columbus on Tuesday—Officers of the United Mine Workers on Hand to Represent the Interests of Their Constituents.

COLUMBUS, June 16.—Meetings of the Ohio Coal Traffic Association and the Ohio Coal Association were held at the headquarters of each in this city, Tuesday, to review the Ohio coal situation. The session of the former was at times breezy, but at noon time, when adjournment was taken, harmony reigned. A better movement of coal is apparent, but no great boom is on, and none is expected as long as coal is mined as cheaply in the Pittsburg district as at present. The Ohio Coal Association appointed a committee to represent the operators in a conference with the officials of the miners, called for this afternoon, to consider the situation and see what can be done to secure a maintenance of the nine cent differential between Pittsburg districts and Ohio.

It is claimed that instead of the Pittsburg rate being 62 cents, enough of the mines are running at 54 cents to fill all orders, leaving Ohio out in the cold. The Ohio rate is 51 cents, and to equalize conditions the Ohio rate would have to be brought down to 45 cents. President Farms of the Ohio miners, President Ratchford, of the national organization, and Vice President John Kane were advised of the conference, and prepared to attend the conference, which was expected to continue in the afternoon.

CLEVELAND, June 16.—The annual convention of the Wholesale and Retail Coal Dealers' Association of Ohio was held in Cleveland yesterday. The papers read were by Capt. J. B. Lucas, of Chicago, editor of the Black Diamond, on "Benefits of an Official Organ to a Coal Dealers' Association;" J. T. Eamon, of Detroit, on "The Strength of Unity;" L. S. Bloom, of Shelby, on "General Association Work;" Andrew Roy, of Glen Roy, on "A Sketch of the Development of the Local Field of Ohio." Addresses were also made by Mr. Jerome B. Zerbe and Mr. J. S. Van Epps, both of Cleveland.

THE NEW BASE BALL TEAM.

An Organization with Jacob Bullach Captain Manager.

The base ball enthusiasts who met in the Hotel Conrad, Tuesday evening, effected an organization with Jacob Bullach as captain-manager; Leo Willenborg, treasurer; Charles Rink, official umpire, and Messrs. Wise, Kraft and A. H. Coleman, board of directors. The treasurer will be required to give bond in the sum of \$200. Harry F. Rider presided at the meeting, and Willard Gove was the secretary. The interest manifested by all in the project is a guarantee that everything possible will be done to make it a success, and things generally seem to be favorable. The players who will compose the team will probably be selected at the next meeting, to be held next Thursday evening.

The committees appointed by the new base ball organization to solicit aid from citizens will not begin work until Thursday. By that time Captain Bulloch will have decided upon the make up of the team, and everything will be in more definite form. The names of the directors of the club will appear on all the subscription lists. None genuine without.

Something to Depend On.

Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with La Grippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Panama could do nothing for her. It seemed to develop into Hasty Consumption. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store, and selling lots of it, he took a bottle home, and to the surprise of all she began to get better from first dose, and half dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it. Free trial bottles at Z. T. Baltzy, ly's drug store. Regular size 50 cents and \$1.00.

Old People.

Old people who require medicine to regulate their bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in Electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whiskey nor other intoxicants, but acts as an tonic and alterative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby adding Nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids digestion. Old People find it just exactly what they need. Price 50 cents and \$1.00 per bottle, at Z. T. Baltzy's drug store.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, better, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Z. T. Baltzy.

For Over Fifty Years

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for children's teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. 25c. a bottle.

Seemed to Be on Fire.

"I suffered very much with a blood disorder. At times my skin seemed to be on fire. I saw Hood's Sarsaparilla advertised and determined to try it. I found that it purified my blood and relieved that tired feeling. I have given it to my little girl for pain in the side and it relieved her."

DELL C. UMBAGH, Nankin, Ohio.

IMPORTANT TO DEMOCRATS.

Proxies Will Not be Recognized at the Convention.

J. M. Myers, chairman of the Stark county Democratic central committee, sends out this announcement: "Notice is hereby given to all delegates to be elected June 19, that at the next Democratic county convention no proxies will be recognized in the convention. The use of proxies at such a convention is made by recent laws a misdemeanor and a finable offense. Every delegate elected must be in attendance in person or be unrepresented at the convention. To avoid this is the purpose of this notice."

THE JAPANESE PROTEST.

Yankees of the East Don't Like the Treaty.

WORK ON THE TREATY BEGINS.

An Important Conference at the State Department With the Hawaiian Commissioners—Senator Hanna Leaves for the West.

[By Associated Press to THE INDEPENDENT.]

WASHINGTON, June 16.—The three Hawaiian commissioners, Secretary Sherman and Assistant Secretaries Day and Cridler, assembled in conference in the state department, today, considering the Hawaiian treaty. It will be signed by Mr. Sherman and the commissioners and then sent to the Senate.

The Japanese minister today protested against the treaty proposing the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands. Other foreign ministers are taking great interest in the pending treaty.

Colonel Anson Mills has been nominated to be brigadier general. Senator Hanna and Secretary Perkins leave here today for Ohio.

If strength is what you want, you should study what causes your weakness. It is practically lack of food.

But you eat three meals a day, and all you can eat at a time.

Yes, but do you digest it? Food undigested, is not food. It is not nourishment.

It doesn't create strength. To digest your food take Shaker Digestive Cordial at meals. After a while you will digest your food without it. Then you will get well, and stronger and healthy.

Shaker Digestive Cordial cures indigestion and all its symptoms, such as nausea, headache, eructations, pain in the stomach, giddiness, loss of appetite, etc. It makes your food nourish you, and make you strong and fat and hearty. Druggists sell it. Trial bottle 10 cents.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will cure 98 per cent. of all cases of consumption if used according to directions. It also cures all lingering coughs, bronchial and throat affections. There is no reason why the child of consumptive parents need ever have consumption if its blood and lungs are strengthened by the proper use of the "Discovery." All who have any reason to fear consumption, should read the chapters on that disease in Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser. This great medical work of 1,008 pages, profusely illustrated, has reached a sale of over 680,000 copies. It will be sent free of charge on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps to cover cost of mailing only. World's Dispensary Medical Association, 663 Main street, Buffalo, N. Y.

"For three years we have never been without Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in the house," says A. H. Patter, with E. C. Atkins & Co., Indianapolis, Ind., "and my wife would as soon think of being without flour as a bottle of this remedy in the summer season. We have used it with all three of our children and it has never failed to cure—not simply stop pain, but cure absolutely. It is all right, and anyone who tries it will find it so." For sale by Z. T. Baltzy, druggist, opera block.

ELIZABETH, N. J., Oct. 19, 1895.

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C. Traver, Rooms 3 and 4, Marine National Bank Building, Pittsburg, Pa.

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Advertised Letters.

List of letters remaining unclaimed in the postoffice at Massillon, June 15, 1897:

LADIES.
Shilling, Mrs. D. E.
MEN.

Dwyer, Wm. (2) Johnson, W. S.
Falkenburg, Harry Miller Harry
Gorton, C. M. (2) Nye, Fred
Johnson, John Scott, Alex H.

White, Julius

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Go to the N. E. A. Convention, Milwaukee July 6-9, via the Northwestern Line, "The Lake Shore Route." Excursion rates, frequent trains, quick time, Parlor Cars and Dining Cars. See that your tickets read from Chicago via the Chicago & Northwestern R'y. For full information apply to ticket agents of connecting lines or address C. Traver, T. P. A., Marine National Bank Building, Pittsburg, Pa., or W. B. Kniskern, G. P. & T. A., Chicago, Ill.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Discovered this Week by Independent Investigators.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Heckman, of Ashtland, are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. C. H. Rudolph has returned from Akron, where she visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Heller, for a week.

Mr. William Alban Uman brought joy and gladness into Massillon, Tuesday, by coming on from New York, to make a short visit.

Canton anglers are having excellent sport at Meyer's lake. Strings of bass are being caught daily, and some weigh five pounds and over.

Canal Fulton people think of building an electric lighting plant. C. L. Pennell, of Orrville, is working up interest in the proposed enterprise.

Squire Landon, an inmate of the infirmary for five years, formerly justice of the peace at Louisville, and a man who had seen better days, is dead.

Mrs. Jacob Schumacher, of Uhrichsville, and Miss Anna Schumacher, of New Philadelphia, are visiting at the Jordy residence, in West Tremont street.

The marriage of Mr. Edwin H. Pille, of this city, and Miss Sally Valleley, of Canton, has been announced for next Tuesday evening at the home of the bride.

Mr. William B. Humberger has returned from Cambridgeboro, where he succeeded in regaining a great deal of the strength of which an attack of the grip had robbed him.

No prettier colors have ever been selected by any class of the Massillon high school than are now being worn by the members of the C class. The colors are imperial blue and white.

William Suttle, sr., of Burton City, has brought to THE INDEPENDENT the really largest berries yet produced in Stark county. It requires just sixteen of them to fill a quart basket.

W. W. Gilson, of Alliance, and Mrs. C. McCullough Everhard, of Massillon, have been appointed members of the board of visitors to the charitable institutions of the county. Judge McCarty made the appointments.

Members of the Massillon high school class of '97 are already wearing their class pins, a small gold shield on which the class colors, orange and red, stand out in bright enamel. The class motto is a good one: "No excellence without great labor."

The farmers of Holmes and Tuscarawas townships are greatly discouraged with the outlook for a good crop of corn. The growth is exceptionally slow and in many cases will produce nothing but fodder. A late fall, however, and plenty of warm rain will be of great benefit.

Section hands on the C. & W. road killed a black snake, near the Brush Hill mine, between Pauls and Canal Fulton, on Saturday, that measured 8 feet 11 1/2 inches in length. The reptile made a spring at one of the men who got out of the way in time to escape its fangs.

A correspondent at Nashville, Tenn., in describing the visit of the presidential party, speaks of James R. Dunn, who is now a government agent at the exposition, and who although overwhelmed with business, always finds time to give all his friends and acquaintances a hearty welcome.

In the country the locusts are taking things by storm. In some localities wheat fields fairly swarm with the insects, but farmers are confident that the crop will not be materially damaged. In the timber they are found in greater numbers and their continual hum is almost deafening.

John Yast, engineer at the light station, left this morning for Monroeville. On Tuesday morning he will be married to Miss Kittie La Barr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George La Barr, of that city. Mr. Yast has the best wishes of his many friends in Massillon for his future happiness. The new couple will return in a few days and will reside in South Erie street.

Mr. Thomas H. Davis, of New York, and Mrs. Davis are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McDaniels. Mr. Davis is one of the busiest theatrical managers in the country and is here for the purpose of resting and refreshing himself after an active season. He has a dozen amusement enterprises under his control, is lessee of the Star Theatre of New York, and his other ventures are all equally important.

The Ladies' Aid Society of St. John's Evangelical church celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary on Sunday. The exercises were held in the church. Addresses were delivered by the Rev. J. Stuhl, of Strasburg, and the Rev. C. Nogle, of Bolivar. There was good music by the ladies' choir. The services were conducted in the German language. Visitors were present from Canal Dover, Strasburg, Bolivar, Navarre, and elsewhere.

Louis Boerner and Miss Mary Powers were married in St. Joseph's church at 6 o'clock Wednesday morning, by the Rev. T. F. Mahon. The groom's best man was Gustavus Boerner, his brother, and the bridesmaid was Miss Maggie Powers, sister of the bride. Later in the day a reception was given to their friends. Mr. Boerner is employed by the Massillon Stoneware Company, and his home is in Jackson township. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Powers, of Massillon.

The Hon. Anthony Howells, ex-consul to Cardiff, Wales, accompanied by Mrs. Rachel Fox, Miss May Fox, Mrs. E. J. Evans and Miss Bessie Phillips, arrived in Massillon Sunday morning. Mrs. Fox and Miss Phillips resided in Cardiff during the four years that Mr. Howells was consul, but Mrs. Evans and Miss Phillips had only been there since Mr. Howells's last visit to this country, some months ago, when they accompanied him on his return. All were in the best of health and were glad to be home again.

The Republican county convention was held in Youngstown Tuesday. Following is the ticket: Representatives, W. R. Stewart, re-nominated by acclamation, and Wick Taylor, brother of Congressman R. W. Taylor; county commissioner, Mark Westerman; infirmary director, Richard Shade; surveyor, Geo. Montgomery; coroner, Dr. Morrison, all of Youngstown. Judge L. W. King, chairman of the committee on resolutions, presented a report endorsing the administration and instructing the representatives to support Senator Mark

Hanna, Governor Bushnell and Lieutenant Governor Jones.

There are no developments respecting the robbery of the Bender family. It was, no doubt, the work of very clumsy and ignorant conspirators, who harbored the erroneous impression that the family kept large sums of ready money on hand. It is supposed that the cash secured aggregated \$300. It is unlikely that the brothers know the exact amount themselves. The money consisted of odd coins picked up at different times by their sisters, and after their death the surviving members of the family felt that it would be irreverent to disturb it, and left untouched. The brothers are the objects of general sympathy.

In honor of an approaching event a particularly jolly dinner was given on Saturday night in the ordinary of the Hotel Saller. Those present were Messrs. Ralph S. Ambler, of Canton, John, Walter and Clarence P. L. McLain, George Culver, Melville Everhard, Robert H. Day, Robert P. Skinner, Maurice Bissell, F. W. Arnold, Arvine Wales, Per Lee Hunt, Edward R. Albrecht and Prescott Burton. Mr. Albrecht sang, Mr. John McLain recited poetry, Mr. Burton related a wild weird tale of the sea, Mr. Day delivered some heart to heart remarks and nobody failed to contribute to the general hilarity. The table was beautiful and the dinner perfect, as goes without saying.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

More Testimony in the Demuth Case.

IT BECOMES MORE INTERESTING.

All Sorts of News from the County Seat—Probate Court Appointments and Marriage Licenses—Letters from Newman and North Lawrence and Urban Hill.

CANTON, June 14.—Court was resumed in both rooms this morning. Judge McCarty, after disposing of the motion docket, took up the civil cases assigned for hearing this week, and Judge Taylor disposed of three criminal cases. John Guskus, who was indicted for burglary and larceny, was first arraigned. He had previously pleaded guilty and was sentenced to the penitentiary for two years. Edward Vaughn, who was indicted for using obscene language in the presence of ladies, pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to the workhouse for five months and fined \$150 and the costs of prosecution. The prosecutor gave particular attention to the Vaughn case, and ascertained that Vaughn was a terror to the neighborhood in which he lived. The judge spoke to the prisoner at some length.

The case of Ohio vs. Andrew Dangleisen, of Massillon, was continued until the next term of court. The motion was argued last week but Judge Taylor reserved his decision. Mr. Dangleisen's lawyers, C. C. Bow and E. G. Willison, represented that if granted further time in preparing the defense they could prove that their client had been assaulted without provocation, and that the shooting was in a sense accidental. Mr. Dangleisen was indicted for shooting with intent to wound.

The case of Ohio vs. Dominick Tyler was also continued on representations that Mr. Tyler was physically unable to appear in court.

A final account has been filed in the estate of Mary Hawkins, of Alliance. Distribution of proceeds of sale of land has been ordered in the estate of Reinhardt Keller, of Massillon. A second partial account has been filed in the Jonas Brancher estate, of Jackson township. Sale bill has been filed in the estate of Samuel H. Montgomery, of Oshtaburg township. Bond of the assignee of the Waynesburg Brick and Clay Co. has been filed and approved. Nellie D. Dahlheimer has been appointed administratrix of the estate of George F. Dahlheimer, of Tuscarawas township.

The friends of J. P. Derousand, who who formerly resided in Canton, and who left on May 30 for Texas, fear that he was murdered in Chicago, one June 4. Mr. Derousand, who is 67 years of age, answers to the description given of the mutilated body of an aged man found in Chicago. It has been ascertained that he did not reach his destination, and the Chicago police have been communicated with, asking for a better description of the old man.

A marriage license has been granted to Thomas H. Matticks and Maud Johnson, of Alliance.

CANTON, June 15.—A fire occurred at the furniture store of J. L. Arnold, on North Market street, at about 3 o'clock Monday afternoon. The firemen were quickly on hand, but some hitch occurred in raising the \$1,000 aerial ladder and before they reached the fourth floor, where the flames were situated, the fire had gained great headway. The loss of \$1,000 was sustained.

The Rex-Demuth case was continued on Monday morning. The court room was filled with ladies who appear to be much interested in the outcome of the case. Attorney Shields conducted the cross examination, but failed to elicit much of importance. Mrs. Helen Begun said that she had a conversation with Mrs. Demuth at Mrs. Demuth's store. "I went there because I wanted to find out the name of the woman who was accused," said the witness. "I asked Mrs. Demuth if the article in the News-Democrat was authentic, and she said it was. She refused to tell me the name of the party. She said it was a woman she had always mistrusted, and disliked." Mrs. Demuth said that she saw the woman put something into a bag she carried. Later she missed the feather, and searched all over the store for it. She said that the woman had a low restless glance—"a woman who could never look you in the face."

Mrs. Ada F. Clark was next called. She said: "I have known Mrs. Rex for about

twelve years. We have had social relationships and an official relationship in the Relief Corps. Mrs. Rex has been secretary of the state corps when I was department president. Later, she was president of the local corps. I have known Mrs. Demuth in a social and business way. I had a conversation with her about an accusation against a member of the relief corps, went to the store to order some work. Mrs. Demuth introduced the subject. She asked me if Helen had said anything to me about a conversation they had. Mrs. Demuth asked me what I thought about it.

"I said it was very unfortunate that any publication had been made. She said she couldn't see how that article came to be published. She said she had been very careful to say nothing about it and had charged her clerks to be cautious. She said she saw the feather taken. We talked about the article and I called her attention to the fact that as it was worded it could have meant only myself and Mrs. Rex. Mrs. Demuth said: 'Why, Mrs. Clark, nobody in the world would ever suspect you of anything of that sort.'"

Mrs. Clark was on the stand for nearly two hours, but her testimony was merely a corroboration of what had been stated before.

A young man named Krall, while employed in repairing a building in East Fourth street, fell from the roof on Monday afternoon at about 4 o'clock, sustaining injuries which are considered by Drs. Marchand and Portman to be very serious. The injured man was taken to his brother's residence, on the Roth farm, near the city.

CANTON, June 16.—The Rex-Demuth case will probably be concluded on Friday. The last witness of the plaintiff was examined Tuesday afternoon and the defense began this morning, and the testimony will consume today and the greater part of Thursday.

Mrs. Demuth, a milliner, accused Mrs. Rex of stealing a four-dollar feather from her store some time in the fall of 1894, and Mrs. Rex claims \$20,000 damages by reason of the accusation.

The members of the Women's Relief Corps, in which Mrs. Rex is prominent, attend in large numbers every session of the trial, and many prominent women are among the witnesses, principally to tell what one or the other of the principals said of the matter.

One woman, Mrs. H. Clay Ferguson, wife of Rev. Mr. Ferguson, sought to evade testifying and sent a doctor's certificate of ill health. Mrs. Rex's attorneys would not accept the certificate and demanded an attachment for her, but a compromise was effected by taking her testimony at her home. She testified that Mrs. Demuth had told her she signed a lie when she signed an exoneration of Mrs. Rex, printed at the time.

The burden of testimony for Mrs. Rex was that tending to show that the alleged slanderous words had been uttered, and the defense so far as shown in cross-examination and testimony, is seeking to prove the truth of the theft and lack of malice, rather than to deny the utterances. The case is attracting much attention.

The case of Zutavern vs. Shutz was settled out of court, yesterday, the consideration being \$600. M. Bast, indicted for keeping a saloon in a prohibition district, changed his plea to guilty, and was sentenced to the workhouse for ten days and fined \$40.

Inventory and appraisal have been filed in the estate of Christie Hong, of Nimishillen township. The first partial account has been filed in the estate of Samuel Stoner, of Tuscarawas township. In the estate of Harrison E. Judd, of Alliance, inventory and appraisal have been filed and sale of personal property ordered. The will of John G. Davis, of Alliance, has been filed for probate. In the assignment of Lamborn, Lamborn & Gray, of Alliance, a petition to sell desperate claims has been ordered.

Marriage licenses have been granted to Samuel S. Fox and Olive E. Rickard, of Alliance; Frank Gosner and Laura Hess, William M. Burson and Mary A. Sieber, and George R. Fox and Ada Osterander, of Canton, and Edward P. McCumaghy and Anna L. Meek, of Massillon.

ST. EATON LETTER.

ST. EATON, June 14.—Children's day was observed in the Reformed church Sunday evening. Charles Scott, of Wooster, wheeled to this place Sunday morning. William and Lenora Schapfer, of Wooster, came down to attend the festival Saturday evening. Miss Sabina Meeks, of Wooster, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Wampler on South Market street. Mrs. Jacob Ruch went to Cleveland Thursday. Miss Orelia Schell is taking a course of music lessons in Berea. The Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Smith and Mrs. F. M. Marshall were in Berea, Cleveland and Put-in-Bay last week. The festival given by the Ladies' Aid Society Saturday evening was a success in every respect.

KILLED NEAR DOYLESTOWN.

DOYLESTOWN, O., June 15.—David Kissinger, a young man aged twenty-two years and residing near Easton, O., while driving towards his home from Wadsworth, O., on Saturday night was struck by a Baltimore & Ohio train on the crossing a short distance from the Doylestown depot. The buggy was smashed to pieces and Kissinger and the horse were hurled into the ditch beside the track. When found Kissinger was unconscious. He lived about two hours after the accident, and the horse was also killed.

PETER LINDER'S SONS.

HARRISBURG, June 15.—Peter Linder, a farmer near Harrisburg, Stark county, has ten sons, all of whom are at home and large enough to work at farming. He says that when he begins plowing this fall eleven plows will be going at the same time in one field. The old gentleman will take the lead and each son will follow after him according to age. The scene of the sturdy old farmer with ten

robust sons following in his wake will be an unusual one.

AN ORRVILLE FRUIT INDUSTRY.

ORRVILLE, June 15.—D. J. Leickheim, the grocer, last week purchased a mammoth lemon tree, orange tree and large cactus plant reared by Daniel Ziegler, near Marshallville. The lemon tree was grown from the seed by Mr. Ziegler and is seven years old. It stands about eight feet high, and contains 22 lemons, three of which were on one twig which was accidentally broken off in shipment. The three lemons weigh one pound, six ounces. The tree was budded five years ago.

THE WEEK AT NEWMAN.

NEWMAN, June 16.—Richard Edwards, of Massillon, was enjoying the scenes of his youth and shaking hands with old associates here last Wednesday. Miss Nettie Green returned to her home at Massillon Monday after spending several days at Willow Grove, the guest of the Davis family. Thos. Masters, one of our oldest settlers and the originator of the 'Bird-in-Hand,' made his first social call here on Monday since his removal to East End last December. Miss Nettie Banks, of Akron, visited her sister, Mrs. D. E. Rowlands, Sunday. C. H. Roderick, township trustee, attended the annual meeting for the county last Saturday. Joseph Miner is now convalescent after a severe attack of pneumonia. Dr. A. B. Campbell was the attending physician. Dr. T. Clarke Miller, of Massillon, was called here on Monday to counsel with Dr. Dissinger, of Canal Fulton, in the case of John Street, who has been ailing for the past fifteen months with what is feared by his friends to be consumption. Both agreed on the case and no changes were made, thus demonstrating that Dr. Dissinger thoroughly understood his case. Democratic politicians of Canton are hustling the rural districts to have them well organized for the coming election. Considerable interest is manifested to know who is the Democratic central committeeman for this precinct. Children's Day exercises, last Sunday evening, in the church, surpassed all former efforts, and all those musically inclined who failed to be present missed a rare treat, for the choir was at its best and did splendidly, and the children performed their respective parts well, not a flaw being apparent. The timely remarks by Mrs. Crippen were appreciated. The decorations were beautiful, and our friends at Sippo have the thanks of our people for their assistance in the direction. The house as usual was crowded.

NORTH LAWRENCE AND URBAN HILL.

NORTH LAWRENCE, June 16.—Frankie Shriver, of Michigan, is visiting her friends in this vicinity. The Rev. Mr. Seiffert conducted the quarterly services at the chapel, Saturday and Sunday. The Temperance Association and the Good Templars, of North Lawrence, will hold a joint picnic in the grove of Frank Hershey on June 26. The Rev. Mr. Wheeler and E. J. Phinney, both of Cleveland, will be the leading speakers. The Rev. Mrs. Ellen King is also expected to speak. The decoration services of the I. O. O. F., of this place, were interesting and well attended, Sunday afternoon. The K. of P.'s recently decorated their hall with elegant paper. The public schools of Bangham township, will have a union picnic on the Orrville fair ground on Saturday, June 19. W. E. Weygandt has received the nomination for prosecuting attorney on the Democratic ticket of Wayne county. His many friends in this section extend congratulations, especially since his nomination is equivalent to an election. Wm. King accompanied the ball team of Barborton last Saturday. The tally stood 12 to 1 for Lawrence. Miss Mary Dittmar, Miss Lizzie Farmer and Miss Lizzie Ziegler attended the Christian Union convention at Sterling on Tuesday and Wednesday. Work at our mines is becoming distressingly slack. The net earnings of most of our miners are not sufficient to keep body and soul together. Walter J. Mullins was in town Monday. Children's day will be appropriately observed at the chapel on Sunday and Sunday evening next. Dr. Sanders, of Otterbein university, delivered an able and instructive lecture in the chapel last Monday evening on the subject 'True Education.' Jacob Lawrence was called to Cleveland last week on business. Five feet of coal have been found on the small farm of Chas. Newstetter. In about one week James Mullins will be hoisting coal at the new shaft.

NEWS OF MILLPORT.

CRYSTAL SPRING, June 17.—Mrs. Wm. Priest is on the sick list. Pat H. Larkin has again assumed his duties as weigh boss at the Herbrook mine. J. Meiner is improving at this writing. Charles Krushinsky is spending the week in Detroit. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Herman have returned home after a week's sojourn among Monroe county relatives. Misses Anna and Lizzie Post, of Cleveland, are visiting their parents at this place. People for miles around came to our village last Saturday evening and tripped the light fantastic in Leonard's opera hall. The Herman orchestra furnished the music. The band boys intended to hold a large dance platform on the Wabash tract. A rumor is current that Anton Kopp will entertain a large number of visitors in our village on the 14th of July. Among them will be the Turner Society, of Canton. Arrangements are being made to accommodate all, and our band is already engaged to play for the occasion. Jim Betel, the re-frigerator builder of Millport, took a few days' outing along the Tuscarawas river, last week, and all that he caught was one small sunfish, which he quickly put on a stringer and walked home with it as proud as could be. The Athletics lost a game of ball to the Clinton high school team, last Thursday, at which place a reunion was held. The score was 23 to 6. The visiting team had a lot of grit and sand, as they had to play up to their knees in the latter. The Juniors con-

tested with the Red Roses from the Bush, last Saturday, and met with defeat to the tune of 10 to 9. John Singer coached his team to perfection and they won. The Corner Browns won a victory from the Athletics, on the Camp Blue grounds, last Saturday afternoon. Score, 19 to 14. Hay was in the game, and, as usual, made a home run. A game of ball is brewing between the employees of the Shamrock and No. 1 mines. On Sunday afternoon the Athletic ball club went out to Genoa and crossed bats with a team from that town. Sharp was invincible for the batters of the mid-way place, and the visitors sounded the breath of victory at the end of the ninth inning, the score standing 24 to 2. 'Glick' Meisner amused the spectators with his funny sayings, as he ran back and forth on the coaching line.

THE BOLIVAR LETTER.

BOLIVAR, June 17.—The family of N. Demars moved to Toledo on Monday. Mr. Demars secured a position as foreman of a bridge gang on the C. H. & D. railway. He is a first-class mechanic and the road can congratulate itself on securing him. Children's Day exercises were held in the M. E. church on Sunday evening. The attendance was large, the church being uncomfortably crowded. The cantata was rendered in fine style. On Saturday evening the ladies of the Lutheran church gave a festival for the benefit of the church. They took in \$90. They will have about \$40 clear of expenses. The Republican and Democratic primaries to elect delegates to the county convention to be held at New Philadelphia on the 17th and 19th, respectively, will take place on the 16th and 18th. The citizens of Bolivar met last evening and decided to have a good time on July 4th. They know how to make the eagle scream when they take a notion. Mrs. W. C. Keefer on her return from Ada, by way of Fremont, missed the afternoon train, and we had to meet her at Massillon with a rig, as the night train goes no further than that place. Before starting home we spent a few pleasant hours at the home of Mr. John Spooler. The drive home by moonlight was enjoyed by both. Fred Correll, R. H. Luttrell and Jacob Renner, Sr., have been on the sick list for some time, but we are glad to know that all three are rapidly recovering. O. W. Reefer has secured a position as barber at Mineral Point, O., where he will start today to start in. The grass has made wonderful progress in the last few days. Farmers anticipate a heavy crop of hay. We had the pleasure of shaking hands with our former fellow townsman, Mr. Obe Keel and his son Jesse, who have but recently returned from California, where they have resided for several years past. The climate of that country must have agreed with them, as they both look well. Mr. Albert Weible and wife, of Canal Dover, were in the village Sabbath visiting friends. Mrs. Weible is a daughter of Mr. Abraham Keel.

LATEST FOREIGN NEWS.

BOMBS DISCOVERED IN PARIS.

PARIS, June 16.—[By Associated Press]—Four bombs or infernal machines have been discovered here in the past month.

SHE IS NOT HIS DAUGHTER.

LONDON, June 16.—[By Associated Press]—Secretary Hanly, of Barney Barnato's companies, says that Mrs. Blackman, of Cleveland, is not the daughter of the diamond king, who married only once.

TERRIFIC STORMS REPORTED.

BELFAST, June 16.—[By Associated Press]—Terrific storms are reported along the northern coast of the British Isles. The steamer Susannah Okeley foundered in the hurricane. Ten of the crew were drowned.

Jr. American Mechanics.

PITTSBURG, June 16.—[By Associated Press]—Louisville was selected for the next annual meeting of the national council, Junior Order of American Mechanics. The following were elected to the council: President, Joseph Powell, Denver; vice-president, Frank W. Pierson, Wilmington, Delaware; secretary, Edward S. Deemer, Philadelphia; treasurer, J. Adam Solh, Baltimore; conductor, A. A. Eskey, Sistersville, W. Va.; warden, Amos L. Gray, Jonesboro, Ind.; inside sentinel, George W. Hobson, Philadelphia; outside sentinel, A. D. Borley, Philadelphia.

Storer Goes to Belgium.

NEW YORK, June 16.—[By Associated Press]—Bellamy Storer, minister to Belgium, left today. He will participate in Queen Victoria's diamond jubilee. Afterward he will confer with Ambassador Hay and Minister White for a modification of the laws against American meats and live stock.

Merit Talks

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LURED TO DEATH.

C. D. Collins Murdered by His Friend from Boyhood.

ST. LOUIS, June 16.—[By Associated Press]—Later developments leave no doubt that C. D. Collins, the wealthy Tennesseean, was lured to death by Martin Easley, of Memphis, his companion since boyhood. Easley enticed him to a summer resort, thence to a lonely spot for murder and robbery.

Easley has been arrested and part of the money recovered. Two witnesses saw Easley deliver the money to his accomplice, who escaped. Collins had horses here at the races. There is great excitement among the turfmen.

G. A. R. Encampment.

CHILlicothe, June 16.—[By Associated Press]—At the G. A. R. encampment the names of Henry Kissinger, of Dayton, J. J. Sullivan, of Cleveland, J. S. Medaria, Wm. Felton, of Columbus, and J. O. Emerson, of Bellefontaine, were presented for commander. After three ballots there was no election, adjourned for dinner.

Commencement at Delaware.

DELAWARE, June 16.—[By Associated Press]—Over three thousand are attending the Ohio Wesleyan commencement today. Among the visitors are Governor Atkinson, of West Virginia, Charles Foster and D. S. Gray. Dr. McCabe is reported to be improving.

Calvin S. Brice in Ohio.

LIMA, June 16.—[By Associated Press]—Many politicians are calling on Mr. Brice here today. Mr. Brice goes to Cincinnati this week. It is believed that he contemplates a move in the Democratic state convention, two weeks hence.

Anti-Lynching Association.

COLUMBUS, June 16.—[By Associated Press]—An anti-mob and lynch association has been incorporated. It is the outgrowth of the Urbana trouble.

One of Barnum's Managers Dead.

CHICAGO, June 16.—[By Associated Press]—General Manager Young, of the Barnum-Bailey shows, died here today.

All Boxing Stopped.

NEW YORK, June 16.—[By As-sociated Press]—The police commissioners today ordered all boxing contests stopped.

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Special reductions in fare over the Pennsylvania lines will be granted for numerous events to take place this summer in various parts of the United States, in addition to local excursions. Some of the points to which tickets will be sold and dates of sale are as follows:

To Nashville, Tenn., daily to October 15th, for Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition.

To Winona Assembly Grounds, Eagle Lake, (near Warsaw, Ind.) May 15th to August 31st, for annual assembly and summer school.

To Toronto, Canada, July 13th, 14th and 15th, for Epworth League National Convention.

To Minneapolis, July 3d and 4th, for national meeting, B. P. O. Elks.

To Chattanooga, July 13th, 14th and 15th, account Baptist Young Peoples' Union of America.

To Celeron (Chautauque Lake) 11th and 12th, account Photographic Association of America.

To Detroit, July 12th and 1 National Republican League meeting.

To Indianapolis, August 17th and 18th, for A. P. C. U. annual convention.

To Philadelphia, September 8th and 9th, for National Encampment Sons of Veterans.

The reduced rates over the Pennsylvania lines will not be restricted to members of the organizations mentioned but may be taken advantage of by the public generally. Excursion tickets may be obtained at ticket offices on the Pennsylvania system and will also be sold over this route by connecting railways. Any Pennsylvania line ticket or passenger agent will furnish desired information concerning rates, time of trains, return limit and other details, to all applicants, or the same may be obtained by addressing C. L. Kimball, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Cleveland, O.

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REAL HORSE SENSE.

STORIES OF EQUINE INTELLIGENCE
BY A COUNTRY DOCTOR.

His Experience Shows That Horses Have a Sense of Humor and Love Fun. Tricks Played in the Meadow by Old Ball, Frank and the Broken Reim.

The country doctor is expected to go whenever called—rain or shine, heat or cold, night or day; sometimes, perhaps, leisurely, but often as quickly as possible. Through all this his horse and himself are constant companions and share together the joys and the sorrows of the rural. It is not strange, therefore, that an attachment of more than ordinary intensity often springs up between them, during which the man notes the almost human qualities of the horse.

While quite a boy I knew a horse of such humor and intelligence that he gave me a high opinion of horses in general. Some of the tricks of old Ball led me to consider horses as almost of kin to human beings, and I have always talked to them and treated them accordingly. Bill, a fine animal belonging to my uncle, who lived on a farm adjoining ours, was a splendid horse of good size and especially fine head, with heavy neck and shoulders. He had done a great deal of farm work in his time, but was now too old for anything but occasional light service, so he usually had the range of a pasture in front of the house, that reached up to the yard fence. There were cattle and sheep in the same pasture.

Ball was noted for his cunning and clever tricks, such as opening gates and doors, pulling down bars and the like, but no one suspected him of playing practical jokes on sheep when one after another was found on the wrong side of the fence. It was by his antics and evident delight whenever a sheep was so found that he attracted attention. A watch was instituted, and soon, when Ball thought no one saw him, he slyly picked up a sheep by the wool with his teeth and dropped it over the fence. Then, going away some distance, he anxiously waited, evidently watching for some one to come out of the house. As soon as he saw that the sheep was discovered he gave a snort and began to run and kick up his heels with delight.

Sometimes he would steal articles and hide them, evidently just for the fun of the thing. One day a heavy maul, such as is used for splitting rails and wood, was left so near the fence that he could reach it. When he supposed that no one saw him, he took the maul up with his teeth, carried it to the farther side of the field, carefully hid it behind the stump of a tree, and then watched the result. This time he had been seen carrying the maul away, so the men made great ado, pretending to be hunting for it, looking in the fence corners and behind stumps, while Ball was running, snorting and kicking up his heels with unbounded delight. Whenever they approached the maul, he tried to attract their attention to some other point.

While I have been engaged in the practice of medicine my horses have had no opportunity to perform tricks like these, but many times I have seen exhibitions of intelligence and humor no less marked.

I have known many horses that showed a good degree of humor as well as intelligence, but for good sense I think Frank was a little superior to any other. He was 7 years old when I traded for him.

When he first came into my possession, he had the habit of frequently throwing his head up and, as his hind legs were somewhat loose, the throw would sometimes come upon his ear. Whenever this happened I would stop him, get out of the buggy and replace it. He soon learned to throw the head up whenever he would like to stop and be patted a little. I might have prevented this at once by making the little fit better, but it occurred to me that, with this habit, I might soon teach him to stop when anything else got wrong, and this I did, so that the least disarrangement of the harness would cause him to stop and wait to have it fixed. Sometimes, however, he would stop when the trouble was not, in my opinion, sufficient to warrant so cautious a procedure.

One day, as I was driving along at a slow trot over a smooth, level road, I had dropped the reins over the buggy up and was becoming quite interested in the running of a newspaper when Frank suddenly stopped. I looked all around and over him, but could see nothing wrong, so I said, with some emphasis, "Get up, Frank!" But he still stood and kept throwing his head up and down. As I sat there with the paper in my hand, I looked around and, especially to the right, but saw nothing wrong. I now, without taking up the reins, took the whip from its socket and, giving him a sharp cut, repeated my command to go on. This unexpected punishment rattled him very much, but still he would not move forward. After standing for a few moments, as if in deep thought, he suddenly turned to the right until the wheel on that side touched the buggy. Then again he stood stock still, only throwing his head as before. I now took up the reins and pulled with the left hand to bring him back into the road, when, to my astonishment, I found that the rein on that side, which had been fastened with a snip, was unfastened.

When I got out to fasten it, Frank squealed. He gave a horse never squeals unless he is excited. I never heard Frank squeal before, but now he not only squealed, but shook his head, pawed the ground and manifested his delight by every means that he could command. As we afterward moved along homeward several times, as the thought would come to his mind afresh, he would shake his head and squeal for joy.—*Youth's Companion.*

LOVE COMFORTLESS.

The child is in the night and rain
On whom no tenderest word might flow,
And out alone in a hurricane.

Oh, no!
The child is safe in paradise!

The snow is on his gentle head,
His little feet are in the snow,
Oh, very cold is his small bed!

Oh, no!
Lift up your heart, lift up your eyes!

Over the fields and out of sight,
Beside the lonely river's flow,
Lies the child this bitter night.

Oh, no!
The child sleeps under Mary's eyes!

What wandering lamb cries sore distressed
While I with fire and comfort go?
Oh, let me warm him in my breast!

Oh, no!
This warm in God's fit nurseries!
—A Lover's Breast Knot, by K. Tynan.

DUPED.

The big, white steamboat backs away from the wharf, swings about and goes slowly down the river sounding her whistle at intervals, for the fog is coming in rapidly.

The few loafers on the pier eye curiously the tall, elegant woman who has come ashore.

She, casting a half scornful glance about, approaches old Jed Rawson and puts this query:

"Can I hire any one to take me across the river?"

"I reckon not," declares old Jed, taking out his pipe to stare at her with astonishment. "The steamer goes into port just below here to wait for the fog to lift. There's no gittin' across the river tonight, marm."

"Can you manage a boat, my good man?"

All the loafers smile at this. Old Jed breaks into a mellow laugh which sends a perfect network of wrinkles over his brown face.

"Why, ledly," he says, "there ain't nary a boy of 10 or up'ard alongshore as don't know how to handle a boat."

The lady laughs too. She is very charming, even old Jed realizes that. She takes a gold piece from her dainty purse and says:

"If you will take me and my trunk across the river, this shall be yours."

The trunk is a huge affair, and Jed looks at it with one eye closed and shakes his head.

"If it warn't for the fog, marm, euy one on us 'd take yer across for nothing. But we couldn't see the boat's length tonight."

The lady utters a sharp exclamation, anger and disappointment clouding her features. A brown faced lad steps from the corner of the little red baggage house where he has been standing.

"If you dare to go, madam, I will take you," he says.

She gives him a radiant smile, at which he flushes to the roots of his fair, waving hair.

Jed and one or two of the other men remonstrate with him to no purpose. A small brown wherry is brought up to the flight of weather beaten steps leading down from one side of the wharf.

The big trunk is lowered into it, and the lady handed down by Andrew Russell, who is thrilled by the touch of her cool, satiny fingers. He pulls off into the fog bank while the loungers on the wharf make their comments.

"Mighty fine looking critter that."

"Carries too much sail."

"What can she want over the river?"

"Perhaps she's bound for Barrington's."

"P'rhaps. She looks like his kind."

It is late in the evening when Andrew Russell returns. Old Jed meets him hurrying up the village street.

"Well, Andrew, you got across all right?"

"Yes, I had a compass."

"Where'd she get?"

"I can't tell you," is the curt reply, as the boy passes on.

All subsequent inquiries elicit no further information than that Andrew landed her at the road which leads up by Barrington's, and that she expected some sort of conveyance to come for her there.

Barrington is reported to be immensely wealthy. He never mingles with the people there, and he lives in a lordly fashion. He brings his own company from distant parts, and the rarest stories of gay and wild doings at the great house which fill the unsophisticated natives with amazement.

He comes and goes as he likes and is altogether very mysterious.

Andrew Russell has a sweetheart on that side of the river—pretty Jen Hardy, the fisherman's daughter.

It is only natural that frequently he should row across in his wherry. But Jen Hardy does not see him every time he goes during the next fortnight. He tramps through a strip of woodland across lots until he reaches a sheltered vale this side of Barrington's.

Here he meets the mysterious lady again and again. Andrew is 20—tall, strong and manly looking. Cars Ferris, as she calls herself, uses all her blandishments to tempt to his inthrallment. She tells him a pretty story—how that her uncle is determined to make a nun of her, that Barrington being her cousin and friend she has come to him for protection, until she can get out of the country.

She wants to go to Europe, for as soon as her uncle discovered her hiding place he will follow her. She is apparently very confiding with Andrew, who is too innocent to see the flaws in her story. "Wouldn't you think she was 25?" she asked eagerly.

Andrew returns a decided negative, never once dreaming that she is 10 years older. Jen Hardy is too proud to own that Andrew does not come to see her any more. Andrew has no mother, and his father, who is not a very clear sighted man, sees no change in his boy, who is moody or exalted by fits.

In two weeks' time Andrew imagines himself madly in love with this woman. He does not stop to reason over the absurdity of so brilliant a creature finding

any attraction in an ignorant boy like himself.

One night he goes home intoxicated by the memory of a round, white arm about his neck and the pressure of soft, warm lips to his own. A week later one hour before midnight, he crosses the river in his little brown wherry.

On the big rock which serves for a pier a man and a woman await him. Barrington carries a valise in each hand. They enter the wherry, and Andrew pulls swiftly and silently down the river. In about an hour they come to a small cove, where a commodious sailboat is tied to a ring in the rocky, shelving bank.

They go aboard this, the little wherry is fastened astern, the sails are unfurled and on they go, dancing lightly out into the waters of the bay.

At nightfall of the next day they come to a great city. Barrington and the lady go ashore. Some purchases are to be made here, and Barrington is to see a man who will buy the boat—this is what they have told Andrew. In the meantime he is to wait with the boat until their return, when they will all go aboard the great ocean steamship whose black funnels rise from a neighboring wharf.

Andrew is not particularly pleased that Barrington is to accompany them, but nothing can dampen the joy of his belief that she loves him, and he can never forget that her lips have touched his own. The poor boy is quite daff for the time and does not dream that he is being duped.

The city clocks are striking 10, when a ragged street gamin crosses the wharf and hails Andrew.

"Hi, there! Be your name Russell?"

Andrew nods, and the boy hands him a note.

"A big swell up town sent this to yer."

Andrew takes the note and tears it open. He knows, of course, that the "big swell" is Barrington. The note reads as follows:

When you read this, we shall be aboard an outward bound express. Goodby, my dear boy. Many thanks for your gallantry. Mr. Barrington makes you a present of the boat as a reward for your services. C. F.

For a moment Andrew stares at the note in dumb amazement. His brain reels. The letters dance blood red before his eyes. He staggers down into the little cabin and throws himself prostrate upon the floor. He breaks into great sobs which shake him from head to foot. To be fooled, played with, cast aside, when he had served their turn!

Oh, the bitterness, the grief and rage in the boy's hot heart as he rolls to and fro upon the cabin floor!

All night long he battles with this first great trouble. In the morning he rouses himself and goes up into the city to find a purchaser for his boat, for the sight of it is hateful to him, and he must have money to get home with. He sells it for \$150, which is a pretty sum for a poor lad. At noon he has a sunstroke and is conveyed to the city hospital.

When he comes out of his stupor, he finds himself under arrest for being the accomplice of an adventurer. He learns, to his horror, that Cars Ferris is Madge Delaphine. That she engaged herself as companion to a little, miserly old woman. That she and Barrington, who is her lover, planned the old woman's murder, in order to obtain possession of the money and jewels which she hoarded about her. That Madge Delaphine accomplished the murder by means of a subtle poison, packed the body into a trunk and conveyed it to Barrington's house, where it was buried in the cellar.

The very trunk which Andrew ferried across the river! Andrew is taken before a magistrate, where he tells his story, omitting the love passages. But the magistrate is an astute old man and reads between the lines and pities the lad.

"The woman and her lover have been arrested. I want you to identify her."

He opens the door to an inner room and utters an exclamation of dismay. There, prostrate upon the floor, with her jeweled hairpin stuck through her heart, lies Madge Delaphine quite dead.

"Is this the woman?"

"Cars Ferris had dark hair," returns Andrew, who is white to his lips.

The magistrate lifts a wig of dark hair from a table near by.

"A very simple disguise," he says and motions Andrew back to the outer room, where, after a few more questions and some fatherly advice, he dismisses him. The misery of Andrew's journey home is boundless.

When he reaches the familiar spot, he is taken ill and for weeks is delirious with brain fever. Jen Hardy is his patient and faithful nurse. To Andrew it seems as if the memory of his folly must torture him forever, but as the months go by the shame and agony die away little by little.

Jen, faithful soul, believes in him and loves him. He is young and the world is fair and life is pleasant after all.

So, gradually he returns to his old allegiance, and it all ends as it should—with a wedding.—*Dublin World.*

At the Back Door.

Tramp—Have you anything, madam, to spare for a poor wayfarer this morning?

Madam—Yes. You can go right out to the wood shed and indulge in cold chops and cuts to your heart's content.—*Boston Courier.*

Easy Proof.

Prospective Purchaser—You say he's a savage watchdog?

Owner—Yes, indeed.

"But how am I to know that?"

"Try 'im. Jes' go outside with me and climb in at that window."—*Chicago Record.*

Ennui.

"We have found out why Nora breaks so much china."

"Why is it?"

"She says she gets so dead tired washing the same old dishes over and over and over."—*Detroit Free Press.*



The papers are full of deaths from

Heart Failure

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A TRAGEDY OF MEXICO

The Fatal Infatuation of Macedonio Frausto.

SLEW HIS SWEETHEART'S BROTHER

Then He Killed His Rival and Another and Fled With the Girl to the Mountains. Gave Himself Up After Untold Hardships.

In the old stone prison at Monterey there is a boy waiting for execution. He is a sturdy, very dark little Mexican. He smokes cigarettes from morning till night like any other Mexican and fights his guards like a tiger. Whoever sets foot inside his cell must struggle for his life with Macedonio Frausto.

That is not a Mexican trick at all. By tradition and instinct your Spanish-American is conscious of the dignity of death.



MACEDONIO FRAUSTO.

He never dies afraid. But when his fate is pronounced he blows resignation out with every cigarette puff.

They say he is insane. It is not true. He is only Indian. His eyes are piercing, not soft. His nose is high, not small and rounded.

Macedonio Frausto was a cowboy on the Rancho del Matos, 20 miles from Nacadores, in the province of Coa, Mexico.

The Rancho del Matos belongs to the Mojias family. Macedonio was just a plain cowboy. He could ride anything that wore hoofs, but any other cowboy on the Matos range could do that. He could drop his lasso over a steer's horns at 40 feet and throw and tie his beef inside of two minutes. But that is just journeyman work on cow ranches in that country.

Macedonio Frausto is only 17 years old, but that is old enough in Mexico to make a boy a man. He was also old enough to fall in love with the pretty daughter of his employer.

Anita Mojias is 16 years old and a beauty according to Mexican ideals. It was not surprising that Macedonio, the cowboy, should fall in love with her, nor possibly was it remarkable that she should be interested in the dashing young vaquero with the eagle face. But those things are arranged for young people in Mexico without their being troubled about it, and the views of the rest of the Mojias family did not coincide with those of the girl and her cowboy lover.

Anita's brothers had undertaken to arrange her life for her. A companion of theirs, Ramon Sanchez, the son of a prosperous Chile farmer, was their choice for a brother-in-law.

He gambled with them, rode horse races with them and was of their class, so they told Anita she was to become Senora Sanchez, and that ought to have been the end of it.

Anita made no protest. She knew better. Mexican girls are not likely to object to their brothers' plans openly. Just the same she snubbed young Sanchez whenever she could, and whenever her cowboy lover was riding near the home ranch she managed to see him.

Probably they had no plan to thwart the family arrangement then, but another cowboy surprised them at their rendezvous and told Anita's brothers of the clandestine meetings.

Of course the brothers were furious. Your Mexican ranchman is not the kind of a man to be thwarted by a woman, particularly one of his own family. Sanchez, like a good fellow, cared to overlook the girl's indiscretion, and the brothers ordered Anita to prepare for an immediate marriage.

Suddenly the girl obeyed. The faces of her mother, who had got them from her mother, and so on back a century or more, were taken from the chest. The linen that had been accumulating for just this event almost from the date of Anita's birth was overhauled. Couriers were sent out to bid the neighbors come, and the cookhouse smoked night and day in preparation for the wedding feast.

How she got word to him no other man knows, but in just the length of time a swift horse could get over the range to where Macedonio was riding and back the young cowboy galloped up to the hacienda. This was on Wednesday evening. The marriage was set for the next day, Thursday, May 13.

At the gate he met Juan Mojias, the older brother. There was no "Oh, come you in peace or come you in war?" in the brother's greeting. He demanded what Macedonio was doing away from his bunch of cattle, and the answer, so far from satisfying him, made him bitter.

"Go marry the carbonera's daughter if you want a bride," said Juan Mojias, and he followed up the taunt by discharging the presumptuous cowboy.

Juan, Anita Mojias' brother, dropped dead at the gate. In the flashing of an eye the boy had shot him through the head and through the body.

Out of the house rushed the other brother, Feliciano Mojias and his brother-in-law elect. They had been anticipating the feast of the next day. At the gate Macedonio Frausto stood, his smoking 44 in his hand, the only of Juan Mojias at his feet. The two rushed at the murderer.

Feliciano plunged forward, and his face scraped the dirt of the house yard. Among the accomplishments of the young cowboy was a peculiar accuracy in shooting.

One shot killed Feliciano, but the proposed husband took more killing. The remaining shots in Macedonio's revolver were fired at young Sanchez, but he did not fall. Mac then sprang to meet him. The revolver was back in its holster, and the long bow knife that balanced it in the cowboy's belt was in his hand. Men do not keep their feet when a nine inch knife is plunged into them. The crazed cowboy knelt on his prostrate rival, twisting the knife in his breast, then Manuel Herrera, a neighbor, who had heard the shooting and ran up, seized him. As well try to seize one of the leopards of Coa, Macedonio spun around in the neighbor's arms, and Manuel Herrera, stabbed through the heart, was added to the dead in the doorway of the Hacienda Mojias.

There was nobody else around except servants and peons. It was none of their business to interfere in a family quarrel. The cooks kept their preparations for the wedding breakfast, and two old men continued to mend harness in the corral.

Stepping over his victims, Macedonio went into the house. In the hallway he found Anita. He seized and carried her to the gate. He lifted her up before him in the saddle. He galloped away to the mountains.

It was morning before the authorities learned of the four dead men at the Hacienda Mojias and the flight of their murderer with his sweetheart. The big bell was rung. The vaqueros were gathered. The neighbors came, and the soldier police and all struck off for the mountains on the trail of Macedonio Frausto.

But more than his Indian nose and his sharp eyes had come down to the young cowboy from the men who used to hunt jaguars in those same mountains.

On the flat there was not much trouble to trail him, but when the upland was reached it seemed as if the double ridden horse had taken wings. Abandoning the cow trails, the young murderer had ridden across the loose rock that held no telltale tracks. Some of the trailers thought they found flints that bore the mark of a shod hoof, but it was wild screeching, simply a scouring over the rocky hills, and it came to nothing. An Indian can trail a white man and find him in any sort of country, but there was no trick of the mountains that Macedonio Frausto did not know, and he employed them all to cover his tracks. He knew where they would search, and those were the places he avoided.

He told the story afterward, and what he did not tell the girl did. So they have the connected tale of the wanderings of the pair at Monterey.

There are plenty of jaguars left in the Coa hills, and there are other beasts to carry out the punishment of death when the human agents of the law fail. The searching parties saw the buzzards hovering about a precipitous, inaccessible canyon, and, coming back, reported their belief that Macedonio and his sweetheart had been devoured by the wild things of the mountains.

A bitter enough time the pair had of it hiding in the hills, and once the spotted ones almost avenged the murder of Anita Mojias' brothers, betrothed and neighbor. It was in the canyon of San Gerónimo they were attacked by the jaguars. They were crouching among the rocks the second night after the murders when the beasts found them out. One of the animals leaped upon the young cowboy's back as he cowered there, and it was only his inherited swiftness and his bloody knife that saved them. All that night Macedonio stood guard, and wherever he saw a pair of eyes blazing in the brush he fired with his revolver.

It was Wednesday night when the young murderer swung his sweetheart before him into the saddle and galloped away to the mountains. It was the following Tuesday when the pair staggered into Villadama, over 70 miles away. They had staid out as long as they could. They had lived on roots and berries that the young mountaineer's instinct taught him were good. They had ridden their horse to death the first day to get beyond the posse's reach, and it was the carcass of the horse that the buzzards reported by the trailing party hovered over in the inaccessible canyon. After that they staggered along on foot.

You who do not know the Coa mountains cannot dream of the parching desert places, the dry mountain gorges, so deep that it is a day's travel to pass over them, the jagged heaps of rocks that run up into the clouds. This is the country over which Macedonio Frausto dragged the bride that was his wage of murder. They went days without water, they went days without food, under the blistering Mexican sun. The rocks cut their shoes from their feet; the mesquite and manzanito bushes tore their clothes from their bodies. At night the mountains were alive. The screams of jaguars and pumas kept them awake, in spite of their exhaustion. They would have traveled at night, but when the sun goes down all the venomous, creeping things of that desolate country come out, and a journey in that darkness is death as certain as it is awful.

They were almost dead with hunger and fatigue when they staggered into Villadama. They were apprehended at once. Promptly they were separated and placed under guard. The fight was not all out of the boy yet, but he was too exhausted to make an adequate resistance. The villagers



ANITA MOJIAS.

Large blacksmith riveted iron on his hands and feet and a strong guard took him to the fort at Monterey.

The girl is in a convent in the same town. So much has she suffered on her awful journey that her death from exhaustion is only a matter of days.

In the prison of the fort, Macedonio is waiting for the word that will bring him to the stone wall to face the execution squad. His strength has come back to him, but the insanity of rage is on him, and even his jailer does not dare to do more than push his food through the bars.

Room For Detectives.

Signor Ferranti, expert criminologist, says that only half of the criminals in Italy escape detection. He says that while 9,000 crimes whose authors were not detected were committed in France in 1825, the yearly number of such crimes is now 80,000.

Gives the Devil His Due.

A German legend says the devil was the inventor of brandy.

THE CHIPMUNK.

How He Raises Himself and Welcomes the Spring.

As the woodchuck sleeps away the bitterness of cold, so in his narrower chamber sleeps the chipmunk. Happy little hermit, lover of the sun, mate of the song sparrow and the butterfly, what a goodly and hopeful token of the earth's renewed life is he, verifying the promises of his own chaffees, the squirrel cups, set in the warmest corners of the woodside, with libations of dew and shower drops, of the bluebird's carol, the sparrow's song of spring!

He comes forth from his long night into the fullness of the sunlit day, to proclaim his awakening to his summer comrades, a gay recluse clad all in the motley, a jester, maybe, yet no fool.

His voice, for all its monotony, is inspiring of gladness and contentment, whether he utters his thin, sharp chirp or full montred cluck, or laughs a chattering mockery as he scurries in at his narrow door.

He winds along his crooked pathway of the fence rails and forages for half forgotten nuts in the familiar grounds, brown with strewn leaves or dun with dead grass. Sometimes he ventures to the top rail and climbs to a giddy ten foot height on a tree, whence he looks abroad, wondering, on the wide expanse of an acre.

Music bath charms for him, and you may entrance him with a softly whistled tune and entice him to frolic with a bird's grass head gently moved before him.

When the fairies have made the white curd of mallow blossoms into cheese for the children and the chipmunk, it is a pretty sight to see him gathering his share handily and toothily stripping off the green covers, filling his cheek pouches with the dainty disks and scampering away to the cellar with his ungrudged portion. Alack the day when the sweets of the sprouting corn tempt him to turn rogue, for then he becomes a banded outlaw, and the sudden thunder of the gun announces his tragic fate. He keeps well the secret of constructing his cunning house, without a show of heaped or scattered soil at its entrance. Bearing himself honestly and escaping his enemies, the cat, the hawk and the boy, he lives a long day of happy, inoffensive life. Then when the filmy curtain of the Indian summer falls upon the year again he bids us a long good night.—"New England Fields and Woods."

NOT EXACTLY A BABY.

How a Woman Played a Trick on a Cable Car Conductor.

"John, dear, some one ought to speak to that woman. See, she's smothering!"

"I'm not running this road. Besides, it's probably her own kid."

"Well, I shall certainly inform the authorities. It's over 15 minutes that dear little thing hasn't had a breath of air. Won't you call the police?"

Of course this dialogue was furnished by husband and wife. Scene—A cable car bound down town. The character spoken of as "that woman" was a female of uncertain age and decided stoniness. She boarded the car at Fifty-ninth street. In her arms she carried the "kid," referred to man fashion as "the kid." Tenderly, almost to suffocation, the woman hugged her charge. Not even the end of its tiny nose nor a wisp of baby hair peeped out from the folds of the long cloak. The woman smuggled and cuddled the bundled child, and never an infantile wail or a gasp for breath aroused the wondering passengers to action. When the car reached Thirty-fourth street, "that woman," still hugging her bundle, left the car. The husband and wife followed. The car sped on.

Safe on the sidewalk, the woman paused, shook the folds of the baby's cloak, and deposited on the pavement a long eared, wet nosed, watery eyed spaniel. That was all.

"Well, John, I'm beat," said the wife.

"So's the conductor and the company," responded John. "She smuggled the least and got the best of the company. I was smart enough to mind my own business. Come on."—New York Sun.

Tunneling the Strait of Messina.

Engineering achievements and possibilities, from the modern point of view, are receiving an additional illustration in the case of the projected tunnel between the mainland of Italy and the island of Sicily, plans and details of which, in model, as executed by the Italian civil engineer De Johannis, have attracted much attention at the University of Padua. After thorough and careful surveys of the strait of Messina, its varying depths, the nature of the ground and of all other conditions which might assist or interfere with such an undertaking, De Johannis decided that the beginning of the tunnel should be near San Giovanni di Sautello, at the foot of the Aspromonte mountain range, the mouth on the other side to be located on the degli Inglesi plain. The entire tunnel will be nearly two miles long and will consist in the main of two shafts of about 10,000 feet each, descending at a grade not exceeding 32 feet in each 1,000. Such a tunnel is thought preferable to a bridge that would involve such a great span and wind exposure.—Harper's Round Table.

Maryland Rice and Tobacco.

According to the Baltimore News, the farmers of Maryland are becoming interested in the movement for a general cultivation of tobacco and for the introduction of the raising of rice. In earlier days tobacco was grown throughout the state, but for the last half century it has been confined to the counties of southern Maryland. Rice has never been grown in the state, but the recent success with this crop in lower New Jersey has led many to think that it can be profitably taken up in Delaware and Maryland. The yield of rice is from 35 to 60 bushels an acre, and the net profit is said to be from \$25 to \$45 an acre.

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FRANK C. SIBILA,
Receiver.

WANTED

LABORERS—Send your names by mail to A. V. Cross, No. 316 East Seventh Street, Canton, Ohio, to be hollow ground, set ready for use. Temper not disturbed.

Notice to Contractors.

Notice is hereby given that until the 19th day of June, 1867, at 12 o'clock noon, sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Board of Education, of said Township, Stark County, Ohio, for building a school house on the lot situated in Sub-District No. 8 of said Township and containing the plans and specifications on file in the clerk's office.

Each bid shall contain the name of every person interested in the same and shall be accompanied by a sufficient guarantee of the bidder to insure the plans and specifications accepted a contract will be entered into and the performance of it properly secured, when both labor and materials are employed.

of the work bid for, each must be separately stated in the bid, with the price of each roof.

None but the lowest responsible bid will be accepted, and the board reserves the right to reject all bids or to accept any bid for labor and material which is the lowest and best aggregate.

By order of the board of education of Tuscarawas Township.

HENRY MAHDER,
Clerk of Board.

East Greenville, Stark County, Ohio.

Trustees' Sale.

In pursuance of the order of the Probate Court of Stark County, Ohio, I will offer for public sale, at public auction, on

Saturday, July 3, 1897,

at 10 o'clock p. m., upon the premises, the following described real estate, situated in the town of Union, in O. S. Surrency, county of Stark, Ohio, and divided into lots and being a portion of the southwest quarter of section number eight (8), and part of Traction's section number seven (7) of town 11, eleven (11) of range ten (10), of said Stark county, Ohio, and located at the southeast corner of said section, with west quarter of

eight aforesaid, and running thence east to the Warren county line; thence east along said county line one mile and sixty rods to the creek; thence due west of the center of said section eight; thence east sixty (60) rods to a line on the north boundary line of said section eight; thence east along said north thirty-five (35) rods to the creek; thence west along the creek to the western boundary line of section eight; and thence north to the place of beginning, containing 160 acres, more or less, and is appraised at \$1,500. Terms of sale: One-half cash on day of sale, balance in one year, with interest at 6 per cent from day of sale, and secured by mortgage and promises.

Ad on file.

W. McCaughey,
Attorney for Trustee.

Notice of Appointment.

be undersigned has been duly appointed
administratrix of the estate of George F.
Hilzheimer, late of Stark County, Ohio, de-
ceased, who died on the 12th day of June, 1907.
NELLIE B. PAULGEIMER,
Administratrix.